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Dear Requester:

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☐ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David M. Hardy
Section Chief
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Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

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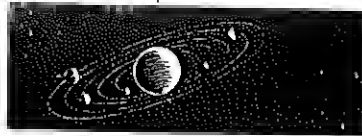
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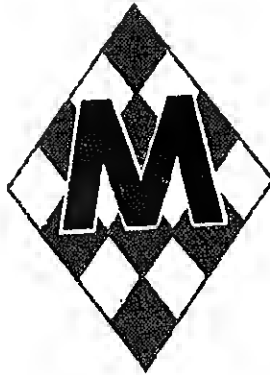
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mattachine ^{50c} **REVIEW**

Casting a Spotlight on Human Sex Problems --- For THINKING ADULTS

AUGUST 1958

In This Issue...



WHAT'S MY TYPE

*Suppression of
Homosexual Literature*

The Enslaved

BACK COVER FEATURE...

Reasons Why YOU Should Join

New Massachusetts Law

... and many additional features on
sexological subjects of interest to everyone

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7 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN MATTACHINE

- 1 Because in times like these when prejudiced and bigoted forces are so potent, it is all the more important for the forces of education and understanding to make their impact felt in human life.
- 2 Because it will give you satisfaction to take these impulses for good that you feel — and harness them up with a group and a program for action and influence designed to serve a public need.
- 3 Because the Mattachine Society does stand for that natural and humane approach to matters relating to sex behavior, unclouded by the vagaries and the lingering attitudes of anti-scientific Puritanism.
- 4 Because Mattachine works in a quiet, non-sensational way to effect changes in the antiquated, out-moded laws against a natural, harmless sex instinct.
- 5 Because conformity to social pressures causes loss of a man's creative contributions in various fields, which is too great a price to pay for the questionable benefits of a culture of automation.
- 6 Because Mattachine affords a medium (THE MATTACHINE REVIEW) to discuss matters in the sexual sphere directly affecting as many as 10 out of every 100 adults seriously.
- 7 Because, unless you are willing to undertake some of the responsibility for enlightening society regarding these matters, you are falling far short of your obligations as a free American.

PUT YOUR INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION TO WORK
BY JOINING MATTACHINE TODAY!

Write for details to:

Mattachine Society, Inc. 693 Mission St.
San Francisco 5

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MATTACHINE SOCIETY PAMPHLET
"WHAT DOES MATTACHINE DO?"

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have directed persons with sex orientation problems to Mattachine with a view of aiding individuals concerned through participation in the Society's activities and reading its publications—all in confidence that highest ethical standards and social behavior standards are consistently maintained, and that the anonymity of individuals concerned will be guarded if requested.

IV. SOCIAL SERVICE

In general, social service work is conducted on a limited scale by chapters and area councils, and it is generally applicable on an individual basis.

LEGAL. Upon request, Mattachine recommends individuals with legal problems—which generally result from a conflict with the law—to see qualified attorneys. Such attorneys also act as advisors to the Society in various areas and approve policies, projects and publications from a legal standpoint. While the organization is not and cannot be influential in legal legislative matters (Mattachine's charter does not permit lobbying activities), the Society has, upon request, furnished reprints of recommended penal codes and other legal articles to some legislative assemblies, groups working in the sphere of sex behavior problems (often seeking a humane legal code), and to individuals concerned with administration of justice—including police departments, judges and attorneys.

PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC. As in problems of the law, the Society also makes it a policy to recommend persons with adjustment problems to qualified doctors, psychiatrists and psychologists. Many persons have found happier personal adjustment from the counseling programs recommended by the Society.

EMPLOYMENT. Limited efforts, which the Society hopes to accelerate in the future, have been made to place persons in suitable jobs. Most individuals seeking this aid from the Society have experienced difficulty due to arrest records, convictions, "less than honorable" discharges, and other social handicaps. While an organized service in this field is yet to be developed nationally, it is a fact that many men and women have been aided in finding satisfactory jobs through Mattachine offices. The eventual aim of this service is to learn about job possibilities where persons with past "criminal" records (often nothing more than an arrest by so over-zealous officers) can be permitted to assume responsibility and dignified daily lives in positions they need and deserve.

LIMITATIONS. Certain things are not done and cannot be done by Mattachine or its members. We condone no illegal activity in the organization, no corruption of minors and no exchange of names for personal correspondence. The organization stands for highest standards of group and public behavior at all times and seeks to promote responsible citizenship.

Mattachine maintains highest respect for individual civil rights and personal liberties. However, it opposes sex activity in public, or between adults and minors, or which involves use of force, violence or fraud, or episode disease. It asks its members and friends everywhere to be useful, well behaved citizens, respectful of law and a credit to the communities in which they live.

V. INCOME AND SUPPORT

GENERAL. Mattachine Society national headquarters and its branch offices in Los Angeles, Denver, Chicago, New York and Washington, D. C., collect dues from members of chartered chapters (\$10 per calendar year) to conduct the Society's educational, research and public relations program. Funds for most of the social service activities are raised by the chapter or area council conducting them. A rented office is maintained in San Francisco. Some area councils also maintain offices and telephones. Halls are rented in which to hold public discussion forums.

Additional support comes from contributors and friends, often in small donations from persons who can ill afford it. The Society receives no endowment from any foundation. However, since it is a chartered non-profit corporation, dues, donations and contributions to it are income tax deductible. At the present time, annual income of the national headquarters, chapters and area councils does not exceed \$2500. Mattachine Review, the Society's national magazine, produced more than 50,000 copies in its first 30 months of operation (25 issues) and distributed them to readers for an all-inclusive cost of less than \$7000. Some 5000 hours of labor were donated by the staff and volunteer workers in administration, promotion, editing, production and distribution of the magazine. Neither the Society nor the Review has ever paid one cent in salary or personal traveling expenses of the officers and staff.

MEMBERSHIP. Contrary to some popular beliefs, membership in the Society nationally has not exceeded 100 persons since the present charter was issued in March 1954. The previously chartered Mattachine Foundation was even smaller; nevertheless the organization, since its inception in 1950, has attracted the interest of many hundreds of persons who did not officially join. Policy has been to select membership from those persons over 21 years of age seriously interested in the homophile problem and who make application to any of the Society's six offices.


CONTRIBUTORS. Since many persons do not wish to hold active membership, or live too far from an established chapter to participate, a **CONTRIBUTOR PLAN** has been set up whereby anyone can aid the organization with a contribution of \$10 or more annually and be designated a "Contributor." This fee entitles the person to a year's subscription to the magazine, a news quarterly, and a newsletter. Such contributions should be sent to the national headquarters. Period is based on the calendar year.

Additional information about the Mattachine Society, including requirements for establishing additional chapters, may be obtained by writing to the Board of Directors. Please address these inquiries to:


Mattachine Society, Inc.

693 Mission Street, San Francisco 3, California

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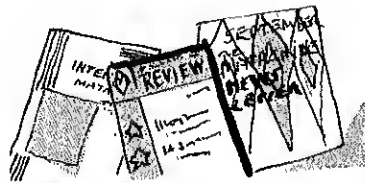
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ORGANIZED SINCE 1950, the Mattachine Society is still subject to many questions about what it actually accomplishes in implementing its program of education, research, public relations and social action on the homophile problem in America today.

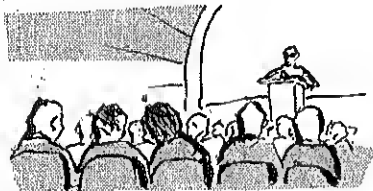
Here is a resume of what the organization has done:

I. EDUCATION

PUBLICATIONS. The monthly MATTACHINE REVIEW (now completing its third year of publication) circulates to a general list of paid subscribers and is sold on newsstands in 12 U. S. metropolitan centers. Articles by laymen and experts in their fields have a professional and serious approach to homophile problems; opinion, trends, news items, book reviews and comment by readers are regularly included in the magazine's content, to create maximum reader interest.



Additional publications are INTERIM, the Society's national news quarterly, and four monthly newsletters, published at San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and Washington, D. C.; they are read by hundreds of members, contributors and interested friends. General information booklets, folders, leaflets, letters and bulk correspondence go to hundreds of inquirers every month from national headquarters and area council offices.



PUBLIC DISCUSSION FORUMS. Bi-monthly, monthly and quarterly public programs are sponsored on an appropriate schedule in each of the six large cities in which Mattachine chapters are located. Experts from professional fields and men and women distinguished for contributions to solutions of sociological and sexual problems appear as speakers, with

discussors afforded opportunity for questions and discussion. These meetings are not closed, but open to anyone over 21 years of age. Attendance varies from 15 to 175 persons.

AREA PROJECTS AND GROUP ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS. Specialized chapters conduct work and study programs, often in some area of the homosexual problem: research, writing and editing, legal, legislative, public relations, etc. Several chapters and area councils also conduct "group therapy" projects upon occasion, in which a limited number of persons meet regularly to discuss mutual adjustment problems, generally in the presence of qualified professional therapists.



LIBRARIES. Three branch libraries have been established at San Francisco, New York and Los Angeles. Additional branches are planned in other cities by the active chapters. Present collections total more than 1000 fiction and non-fiction works on the sex variation subject, plus American and foreign periodicals. Books are available to members, friends and students under local rules. Donations of additional books or funds are gratefully accepted.

II. RESEARCH

AID FOR ESTABLISHED RESEARCH EXPERTS AND/OR INSTITUTIONS. Subjects obtained through Mattachine have fitted special qualifications for interview by the late Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey and his staff from the Institute for Sex Research, of Indiana University. In 1953 another select group of individuals brought together under Mattachine auspices were a source of data for a "homosexual personality type" study conducted by a research psychologist of the University of California at Los Angeles. Surveys and subjects for other research studies—some of which aided national research organizations—have been conducted in several areas where chapters are located. In 1957 the Society was asked to participate in a study to determine social implications of male homosexuality with a view to discovering factors which may be utilized in recommending changes of law in England. This particular study is being conducted by the British Social Biology Council, in association with the work of the Church of England Moral Welfare Council.



INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS. Long considered but difficult indeed to initiate, complete and conduct, Mattachine-sponsored research projects have actually amounted to little, because the organization has felt that homophile research should be conducted by qualified persons and without possible bias. Such projects have been planned and discussed. In the future if it is possible that when the need for some distinct phase of research is seen, experts called upon to conduct it will receive the full cooperation of the Society.

DISSEMINATION OF RESEARCH FINDINGS. While this is an overlap into educational activities, the Society's research department seeks information about research projects in the sex variation field with a view to aiding the projects if uncompleted, and obtaining clearance to tell readers of Mattachine publications about them when the work is concluded and findings determined.

III. PUBLIC RELATIONS

With a public relations director in New York and a special chapter there engaged in this work, contacts by mail with individuals with problems and questions regularly reach out to all corners of the U. S. and to many foreign countries.



CONTACT WITH RELATED AGENCIES. By correspondence and, when possible, through personal interviews, the Society maintains some contact with dozens of private and public agencies, law enforcement bodies, clinics, etc. Included among them are some police departments, psychiatric clinics, public health offices, prisons rehabilitation agencies, hospitals, universities, libraries, mental health organizations, probation offices, civil liberties organizations, etc.

Absand, contacts are maintained with foreign and international groups with aims and projects related to those of Mattachine. Among these are the Church of England Moral Welfare Council, and the International Committee for Sexual Equality. Similar cooperation is extended to One, Inc., and Daughters of Bilitis in the United States.

Contacts mentioned above are designed to discover ways in which Mattachine can aid other organizations through information exchanges, and ways in which others can help advance the Mattachine program. Several domestic agencies

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YOU CAN LEARN the story of the Mattachine Society, its aims and principles, organizational structure and history. For this information and how you can help in this program, send 25c for your copy of

MATTACHINE SOCIETY today



Address your request for this 16-page general information booklet to the Board of Directors or the nearest area council listed below:

Office of the Board of Directors
MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.
693 Mission Street-San Francisco 5, Calif.
Tel. EXbrook 7-0773

AREA COUNCILS

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693 Mission Street-San Francisco 5, Calif.
Tel. EXbrook 7-0773

LOS ANGELES AREA COUNCIL
Post Office Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, Calif.
Tel. NOrmandie 3-2616

NEW YORK AREA COUNCIL
1133 BROADWAY, NEW YORK 10, N. Y.
CHICAGO AREA COUNCIL
Chicago 54, Ill.

DENVER CHAPTER OFFICE
Post Office Box 7035, Capitol Hill Station
Denver 6, Colo.
Tel. FLorida 5-3438 (Sec.)

WASHINGTON CHAPTER OFFICE
Post Office Box 8815, Southeast Station
Washington 3, D. C.

Boston

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

The Society publishes a monthly magazine, **MATTACHINE REVIEW**, to keep you informed of significant trends in public opinion, fact and comment, and the thinking of prominent professional persons who are concerned with the problem of the homophile. Subscription rate is \$4.00 per year in the U. S., Canada and Mexico; \$5.00 per year in all other countries. All copies are mailed in plain sealed envelope. Send orders to:

Mattachine REVIEW

693 Mission Street
San Francisco 5, Calif.

The REVIEW is issued bi-monthly on many U. S. newspapers, but it is issued monthly to paid subscribers. Single copies are 50 cents each, first class postpaid.

AREA NEWSLETTERS are published monthly by chapters and area councils at San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Denver and Washington, D. C. Subscription rate for each is \$1.00 per year, mailed first class. These newsletters contain items and announcements about local activities and events in each of the areas which publish them.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS include a quarterly newsletter for members and contributors, "INTERIM." This news quarterly does not duplicate any other Mattachine publication. However, it is not for sale on a subscription basis—it is distributed only to members, paid contributors and certain public agencies, institutions and professional persons.

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IN THE UNITED STATES
ALONE...

There are between 12,000,000 and 15,000,000 homosexuals, based on the findings of Kinsey and other leading research experts.

They are found among all races, nationalities and religious denominations—in every profession and in every occupation.

They are found in every city and town, regardless of size.

UNDOUBTEDLY YOU KNOW

SOME OF THEM...



They may be on the job with you, living in the apartment or house next to you, among your friends or acquaintances. Among those you love most deeply, there is likely to be at least one homosexual person—it might be your own son or daughter, your brother or sister.

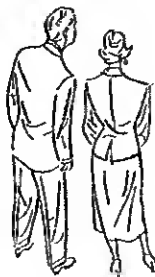


THUS YOU SEE...

Most homosexuals are *not* insane, stupid, willfully perverted, "unnatural" or socially incompetent as is often believed.

The fact is that most homosexuals can and do lead useful and productive lives. **MANY OF THEM ARE AMONG OUR MOST RESPECTED AND SUCCESSFUL CITIZENS.**

Homosexuals are neither uncommon nor "queer."



BUT HOMOSEXUALS,

AS SUCH...

Have only limited social and civil rights. In fact, our whole society is organized to keep them, in many respects, more completely oppressed than are various racial and religious minorities.

THIS IS WHY a group of responsible, socially conscious citizens has formed....

Mattachine Society, Inc.

(a California corporation)

...To encourage medical and social research pertaining to socio-sexual behavior and to publish the results of such research.

...To sponsor educational programs to aid social and emotional variants and to promote among the general public an understanding of the problems of such persons.

...To help develop social and moral responsibility in those persons whose behavior may vary from accepted present-day standards.

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY LOOKS TOWARD THE DAY WHEN THE HOMOSEXUAL WILL...

1. Live a well-oriented, socially productive life with pride and without fear;
2. Follow a high standard of ethics and conventions in conformity with the best interests of society;
3. Be accepted as a useful citizen by an enlightened public, and
4. Make a recognized addition to the productivity and social consciousness of our cities, states and the nation.

THE MATTACHINE
SOCIETY, Inc.



...is a non-profit corporation, national in scope, educational and benevolent in character. Its members are all over 21 years of age.

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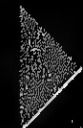
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AREA NEWSLETTERS are published monthly by chapters and area councils at San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Denver and Washington, D. C. Subscription rate for each is \$1.00 per year, mailed first class. These newsletters contain items and announcements about local activities and events in each of the areas which publish them.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS include a quarterly newsletter for members and contributors, "INTERIM." This news quarterly does not duplicate any other Mattachine publication. However, it is not for sale on a subscription basis—it is distributed only to members, paid contributors and certain public agencies, institutions and professional persons.

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They are found among all races, nationalities and religious denominations—in every profession and in every occupation.

They are found in every city and town, regardless of size.

UNDOUBTEDLY YOU KNOW

SOME OF THEM....



They may be on the job with you; living in the apartment or house next to you; among your friends or acquaintances. Among those you love most deeply, there is likely to be at least one homosexual person—it might be your own son or daughter, your brother or sister.



THUS YOU SEE....



Most homosexuals are *not* insane, stupid, willfully perverted, "unnatural" or socially incompetent as is often believed.

The fact is that most homosexuals can and do lead useful and productive lives. **MANY OF THEM ARE AMONG OUR MOST RESPECTED AND SUCCESSFUL CITIZENS.**

Homosexuals are neither uncommon nor "queer."



BUT HOMOSEXUALS,

AS SUCH....



Have only limited social and civil rights. In fact, our whole society is organized to keep them, in many respects, more completely oppressed than are various racial and religious minorities.

THIS IS WHY a group of responsible, socially conscious citizens has formed....

Mattachine Society, Inc.

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...To encourage medical and social research pertaining to socio-sexual behavior and to publish the results of such research.

...To sponsor educational programs to aid social and emotional variants and to promote among the general public an understanding of the problems of such persons.

...To help develop social and moral responsibility in those persons whose behavior may vary from accepted present-day standards.

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY LOOKS TOWARD THE DAY WHEN THE HOMOSEXUAL WILL...

1. Live a well-oriented, socially productive life with pride and without fear;
2. Follow a high standard of ethics and conventions in conformity with the best interests of society;
3. Be accepted as a useful citizen by an enlightened public, and
4. Make a recognized addition to the productiveness and social consciousness of our cities, states and the nation.

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* * * OUT OF TOWN NEWS

BOSTON - The Mattachine group in Boston has formed a Social Services Committee, whose sole job is to make contacts with qualified advisors in legal, religious, occupational, financial, medical and psychiatric fields. The group has also recently begun small discussion groups, which have met with a great deal of success.

CHICAGO - A new homophile publication, originating from Chicago, called "Trade Winds Paper", has just come to the attention of the New York Mattachine. It is a bi-monthly mimeographed paper containing brief articles in the same vein as ONE and Mattachine Review. If you are interested, make your inquiries to New York Mattachine office.

LOS ANGELES - The Daughters of Bilitis chapter in that city has issued its first newsletter - a one page affair. A good beginning, and we wish you success in the future. (The New York Chapter of the Daughters has also just issued its first newsletter, much in the same vein as the Los Angeles Newsletter.)

PHOENIX - The Board of Directors have announced that a new area council has been formed in Phoenix, Arizona. If you have friends living in this section, please tell them about the new branch of Mattachine.

SAN FRANCISCO - The Mattachine group in San Francisco recently had Dr. Carleton Goodlet, San Francisco psychiatrist and publisher of the Negro weekly newspaper, the Sun-Reporter speak. Dr. Goodlet told the Mattachine audience that its efforts to achieve benefits through constructive social action must inevitably resolve into a long process of education of the public in general.

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LONG ISLAND DISCUSSION GROUP

On Sunday, May 17th, at 2 P.M. our Long Island Discussion Group held another of its rewarding refreshment-discussion sessions. As usual the refreshments were appetizing. The discussion of whether the relationship between a person being kept and the person doing the keeping was a wholesome one was equally stimulating. Everybody present had something of interest to say on the subject. The Long Island Discussion Group is now dividing because it is believed that there are sufficient numbers of persons interested in Brooklyn and Queens to allow two separate groups to function, the purpose being to keep each group small. Accordingly, on Thursday evening June 4th, a Brooklyn group and a Queens group are to meet simultaneously but one in Brooklyn and the other in Queens. Those of you who are either Brooklyn or Queens residents are cordially invited to apply for an invitation by writing to the Editor.

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Calendar of events

Wednesday, June 10. 8:30 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING - "THE NEW YORK VICE SQUAD"
Lecture by Mr. William Duffy - Author and Newspaper-
man - See Page 6 for Details
At - Wilkie Memorial Building, 20 W. 40th Street

Thursday, June 11. 8:30 P.M.
Monthly Business Meeting - At the Mattachine Office

Saturday, June 20 - ANNUAL PICNIC TO FIRE
ISLAND - See Page 3 for details on meeting
place, departure time, etc. Make reservations
early.

Tuesday, June 23. 8:30 P.M.
ORIENTATION MEETING - At Mattachine
Office - Come and learn about the Society.

DAUGHTERS OF BILITIS

Saturday, June 13 at 3:00 P.M. - Business Meeting at
Mattachine Offices

Saturday, June 13 at 8:00 P.M. - "Spring Fling" for
members and their personal guests only.
Members please make reservations with one
of the officers.

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FANNIE HURST'S "SHOWCASE" PROGRAM CANCELLED

We were distressed to learn from its producer, Mr. Art Arnold, That Fannie Hurst's popular television program, SHOWCASE, had been dropped without warning by the station.

Readers of this Newsletter will remember that a year ago Miss Hurst was ordered not proceed with a planned discussion on the subject of homosexuality. This arbitrary censorship she refused to accept, and after moving her program to Channel 13, she requested the Mattachine Society to prepare an extensive series of programs to discuss every aspect of homosexuality. Whether this is the direct cause of her summary dismissal or not, neither she nor the Mattachine Society knows as of this writing.

It is Mr. Arnold's opinion that a flood of mail - say 1000 letters - sent to the station may cause the powers-that-be to reconsider. We therefore urge all readers of the Newsletter in the New York area, AND ALL OF THEIR FRIENDS, to write a letter or postcard to WNTA - TV Channel 13, 10 Columbus Circle, New York, New York, requesting that Fannie Hurst's "SHOWCASE" be reinstated.

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GOING TO PROVINCETOWN THIS SUMMER? round trip transportation just \$10.00 per person. A \$2.00 deposit holds your reservation for this summer. Every week-end leaving Greenwich Village at 7 AM every Sat. Morn. return 4 PM p Town every Sun. afternoon. write Walter Evers, P.O. Box 786 GPO, Brooklyn 1, N.Y. or call HY 1-4724 giving date of week-end, number in party, \$2.00 deposit for each.

DRAMATIC GROUP NEWS - - - -

The drama group's latest evening proved to be most stimulating. First, a discussion of the role of the drama critic in the theatre took place. (Findings: the poor wretches are a necessary evil.) Then SATURDAY SUPPLEMENT, a one-act comedy by Edward R. Murkland was read. Afterward, a spontaneous sketch was enacted, using the framework of the playlet as a basis. Also, a two-character improvisation was given. All in all, the meeting was a great success.

REMEMBER - If anyone is interested in participating, please drop a line to the office and the secretary of the group will send you a notice of the time and location of the next meeting.

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have directed persons with sex orientation problems to Mattachine with a view of aiding individuals concerned through participation in the Society's activities and reading its publications: all in confidence that highest ethical standards and social behavior standards are consistently maintained, and that the anonymity of individuals concerned will be guarded if requested.

IV. SOCIAL SERVICE

In general, social service work is conducted on a limited scale by chapters and area councils, and it is generally applicable on an individual basis.

LEGAL. Upon request, Mattachine recommends individuals with legal problems—which generally result from a conflict with the law—to see qualified attorneys. Such attorneys also act as advisors to the Society in various areas and approve policies, projects and publications from a legal standpoint. While the organization is not and cannot be influential in legal-legislative matters (Mattachine's charter does not permit lobbying activities), the Society has, upon request, furnished reprints of recommended penal codes and other legal articles to some legislative assemblies, groups working in the sphere of sex behavior problems (often seeking a harsher legal code), and to individuals concerned with administration of justice—including police departments, jurists and attorneys.

PSYCHOTHERAPEUTIC. As in problems of the law, the Society also makes it a policy to recommend persons with adjustment problems to qualified doctors, psychiatrists and psychologists. Many persons have found happier personal adjustment from this counseling program recommended by the Society.

EMPLOYMENT. Limited efforts, which the Society hopes to accelerate in the future, have been made to place persons in suitable jobs. Most individuals seeking this aid from the Society have experienced difficulty due to arrest records, convictions, "less than honorable" discharges, and other social handicaps. While an organized service in this field is yet to be developed nationally, it is a fact that many men and women have been aided in finding satisfactory jobs through Mattachine offices. The eventual aim of this service is to learn about job possibilities where persons with past "criminal" records (often nothing more than an arrest by an over-zealous officer) can be permitted to assume responsible and dignified daily lives in positions they need and deserve.

LIMITATIONS. Certain things are not done and cannot be done by Mattachine or its members. We condone no illegal activity in the organization, no corruption of minors and no exchange of names for personal correspondence. The organization stands for highest standards of group and public behavior at all times and seeks to promote responsible citizenship.

Mattachine maintains highest respect for individual civil rights and personal liberties. However, it opposes sex activity in public, or between adults and minors, or which involves use of force, violence or fraud, or spreads disease. It asks its members and friends everywhere to be useful, well-behaved citizens, respectful of law and a credit to the communities in which they live.

V. INCOME AND SUPPORT

GENERAL. Mattachine Society national headquarters and its branch offices in Los Angeles, Denver, Chicago, New York and Washington, D. C., collect dues from members of chartered chapters (\$10 per calendar year) to conduct the Society's educational, research and public relations program. Funds for most of the social service activities are raised by the chapter or area council conducting them. A rented office is maintained at San Francisco. Some area councils also maintain offices and telephones. Halls are rented in which to hold public discussion forums.

Additional support comes from contributors and friends, often in small donations from persons who can ill afford it. The Society receives no endowment from any foundation. However, since it is a chartered non-profit corporation, dues, donations and contributions in it are income tax deductible. At the present time, annual income of the national headquarters, chapters and area councils does not exceed \$2500. Mattachine Review, the Society's national magazine, produced more than 50,000 copies in its first 30 months of operation (25 issues) and distributed them to readers for an all-inclusive cost of less than \$9000. Some 5000 hours of labor were donated by the staff and volunteer workers to administration, promotion, editing, production and distribution of the magazine. Neither the Society nor the Review has ever paid one cent in salary or personal traveling expenses of the officers and staff.

MEMBERSHIP. Contrary to some popular beliefs, membership in the Society nationally has not exceeded 100 persons since the present charter was issued in March 1954. The previously chartered Mattachine Foundation was even smaller; nevertheless the organization, since its inception in 1950, has attracted the interest of many hundreds of persons who did not officially join. Policy has been to select membership from those persons over 21 years of age seriously interested in the homophilic problem and who make application to any of the Society's six offices.

CONTRIBUTORS. Since many persons do not wish to hold active membership, or live too far from an established chapter to participate, a CONTRIBUTOR PLAN has been set up whereby anyone can aid the organization with a contribution of \$10 or more annually and be designated a "Contributor." This fee entitles the person to a year's subscription to the magazine, a news quarterly, and a newsletter. Such contributions should be sent to the national headquarters. Period is based on the calendar year.

Additional information about the Mattachine Society, including requirements for establishing additional chapters, may be obtained by writing to the Board of Directors. Please address these inquiries to:

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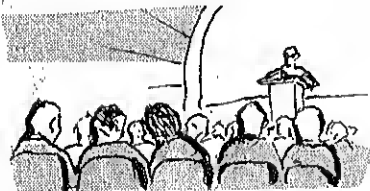
Here is a resume of what the organization has done:

I. EDUCATION

PUBLICATIONS. The monthly MATTACHINE REVIEW (now completing its third year of publication) circulates to a general list of paid subscribers and is sold on newsstands in 12 U. S. metropolitan centers. Articles by laymen and experts in their fields have a professional and serious approach to homophile problems; opinion, trends, news items, book reviews and comment by readers are regularly included in the magazine's content, to create maximum reader interest.



Additional publications are INTERIM, the Society's national news quarterly, and four monthly newsletters, published at San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and Washington, D. C.; they are read by hundreds of members, contributors and interested friends. General information booklets, folders, leaflets, letters and bulk correspondence go to hundreds of inquirers every month from national headquarters and area council offices.



PUBLIC DISCUSSION FORUMS. Bi-monthly, monthly and quarterly public programs are sponsored on an appropriate schedule in each of the six large cities in which Mattachine chapters are located. Experts from professional fields and men and women distinguished for contributions to solutions of sociological and sexual problems appear as speakers, with

listeners afforded opportunity for questions and discussion. These meetings are not closed, but open to anyone over 21 years of age. Attendance varies from 15 to 175 persons.

AREA PROJECTS AND GROUP ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS. Specialized chapters conduct work and study programs, often in some area of the homosexual problem: research, writing and editing, legal, legislative, public relations, etc. Several chapters and area councils also conduct "group therapy" projects upon occasion, in which a limited number of persons meet regularly to discuss mutual adjustment problems, generally in the presence of qualified professional therapists.



LIBRARIES. Three branch libraries have been established at San Francisco, New York and Los Angeles. Additional branches are planned in other cities by the active chapters. Present collections total more than 1000 fiction and non-fiction works on the sex variation subject, plus American and foreign periodicals. Books are available to members, friends and students under local rules. Donations of additional books or funds are gratefully accepted.

II. RESEARCH

AID FOR ESTABLISHED RESEARCH EXPERTS AND/OR INSTITUTIONS. Subjects obtained through Mattachine have filled special qualifications for interview by the late Dr. Alfred C. Kinsey and his staff from the Institute for Sex Research, of Indiana University. In 1953 another select group of individuals brought together under Mattachine auspices were a source of data for a "homosexual personality type" study conducted by a research psychologist of the University of California at Los Angeles. Surveys and subjects for other research studies—some of which aided national research organizations—have been conducted in several areas where chapters are located. In 1957 the Society was asked to participate in a study to determine social implications of male homosexuality with a view to discovering factors which may be utilized in recommending changes of law in England. This particular study is being conducted by the British Social Biology Council, in association with the work of the Church of England Moral Welfare Council.



INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS. Long considered but difficult indeed to initiate, complete and conduct, Mattachine-sponsored research projects have actually amounted to little, because the organization has felt that homophile research should be conducted by qualified persons and without possible bias. Such projects have been planned and discussed. In the future it is possible that when the need for some distinct phase of research is seen, experts called upon to conduct it will receive the full cooperation of the Society.

DISSEMINATION OF RESEARCH FINDINGS. While this is an overlap into educational activities, the Society's research department seeks information about research projects in the sex variation field with a view to adding the projects if uncompleted, and obtaining clearance to tell readers of Mattachine publications about them when the work is concluded and findings determined.

III. PUBLIC RELATIONS

With a public relations director in New York and a special chapter there engaged in this work, contacts by mail with individuals with problems and questions regularly reach out to all corners of the U. S. and to many foreign countries.



CONTACT WITH RELATED AGENCIES. By correspondence and, when possible, through personal interviews, the Society maintains some contact with dozens of private and public agencies, law enforcement bodies, clinics, etc. Included among them are some police departments, psychiatric clinics, public health offices, prisons, rehabilitation agencies, hospitals, universities, libraries, mental health organizations, probation offices, civil liberties organizations, etc.

Aboard, contacts are maintained with foreign and international groups with aims and projects related to those of Mattachine. Among those are the Church of England Moral Welfare Council, and the International Committee for Sexual Equality. Similar cooperation is extended to Oae, Inc., and Daughters of Bilitis in the United States.

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TO NEWSSTAND PURCHASERS:

You missed September.

—AND IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT—IT WAS OURS.

A heavy publishing schedule on a 370-page legal brief made it necessary to delay September *REVIEW* (it came off the press on the 28th). It was too late to distribute to newsstands.

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YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS a new story by Jay Little (Author of *Maybe Tomorrow & Somewhere Between the Two*)—about Chris and Ray, a lover's meeting. It is the opening chapter in his third novel which he is now writing. There are other great features, too, including an amazing rundown on where to find gay short stories by Gene Damon.

TO ALL READERS:

Jay Little has requested comments on his story mentioned above. Won't you submit a criticism—favorable or not—to us, so we can forward it to him? He'll appreciate it, and so will we—



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HOMOSEXUALS ARE COMING TOGETHER AT LAST.

To examine how we are oppressed and how we oppress ourselves.

To fight for gay control of gay businesses.

To publish our own newspaper.

To these and other radical ends, we will meet again at Alternate U — 69 West 14th Street (at 6th Ave.).

THURSDAY, JULY 31 at 6:30 PM.

THE STREETS, BARS, PARK BELONG TO THE PEOPLE!
GAY POWER TO GAY PEOPLE!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Whether your way is "straight" or "gay" all people were created by "God".

The Declaration of Independence: We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

Certain unalienable Rights: Life; yes-Liberty; increasing-Pursuit of Happiness; NO. How can one live in happiness if ones rights to equality and freedom are deprived. Homosexuals do not have the open freedom to love openly without persecution and ridicule.

Homosexuals are white, black, yellow and red. We are Catholics, Jewish, Protestants or whatever. We are lawyers, dentists, firemen, trade laborers, industrial and business giants and executives. Scientists, hairdressers, farmers, cowboys, hippies, short, tall, thin, fat, ugly, beautiful, mean, sympathetic, actors, artists, police, government. We are hiding in the millions for fear of coming out in the open like other decent people. We are no threat. We want our freedom. We do not seek to convert. We have been with you throughout civilization, but now you must consider us. You must yield before reality.

Yes we are homosexual, homosexual human beings.

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY OF NEW YORK

THE HOMOSEXUAL REVOLUTION

Recent events have given the homosexual community a sense of unity and purpose which it so badly needs. If we can keep the spirit of unity alive, great achievements will be realized. Now is the time to define where we have been and where we are going. Only through unified action toward common goals can we ever attain freedom.

WHAT MATTACHINE HAS DONE:

- * As a result of a "sip-in" by organization members several years ago, the State Liquor Authority was forced to recognize the legality of "gay" bars which has lead to the opening of many such places.
- * Due to Mattachine pressure tactics, police entrapment of homosexuals was ended in New York City.
- * Society demonstrations and counter-harassment campaigns in Brooklyn Heights and on Fire Island have ended "clean-up" campaigns in those areas.
- * Additional demonstrations at Independence Hall on July 4th, the White House, the Civil Service Commission, the State Department, the Pentagon have called attention to unjust Federal policies regarding homosexuals.
- * Through Society contacts and efforts, employment discrimination by the City government has been ended.
- * Mattachine has helped thousands of homosexuals who have sought legal advice, psychological counselling, medical aid, religious assistance, employment, housing.
- * The organization has supplied speakers for television, radio, collegiate groups and other organizations wanting to know more about homosexuality.

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"MATTACHINE REVIEW",
"ONE",
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed for the Bureau are:

One copy of "MATTACHINE REVIEW", Special Issue,
March, 1956.

One copy of "MATTACHINE REVIEW", Special Issue,
April, 1956.

One copy of "ONE", issue of January, 1956.

The "MATTACHINE REVIEW" is apparently an official publication of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC., P. O. Box 1925, Main Post Office, Los Angeles, California. The "ONE" publication has offices at 232 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, according to this issue.

Both publications deal with the problems of homosexuality in the community. There are several articles on searches and seizures and the rights of citizens at the time of arrest. They are published ostensibly for homosexuals.

They were received anonymously through the mails in the NYO and are being furnished to the Bureau for information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-403320)
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-45888)
SUBJECT: THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.
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OO - Los Angeles

Rebulet 7/31/56.

Rebulet requested Los Angeles to furnish any current information concerning captioned organization or its publications, but that no active investigation be conducted.

Copies of this letter are being furnished to other offices for their information because chapters of the Society exist within their territories.

Set forth herein is a brief survey of the activities of the Society since the closing report of SA [redacted] dated 12/31/53 at Los Angeles. For the information of offices which have not received prior reports, some background on the Society is set forth. The sources of the information contained herein are, in most instances, publications of the Society or confidential sources who have furnished reliable information in the past. No report is being submitted because no security problem appears to exist.

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BACKGROUND

The Mattachine movement had its inception in 1950 when a small group inaugurated the first discussion group. This early activity resulted in the organization of a secret society under the name of the Mattachine Foundation which filed incorporation papers in the State of California on 4/27/53, and was thereafter known as the Mattachine Foundation, Inc. The announced purposes of this first organization were: "The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to sponsor, supervise and conduct scientific research in the field of homosexuality; to publish and disseminate the results of such research; and to aid in the social integration and rehabilitation of the sexual variant."

The Mattachine Foundation, Inc. expanded its operations and established chapters in the Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif. areas and either organized or became closely identified with a publication known as "One, the Homosexual Magazine" published by One, Inc., 307 South Hill St., Los Angeles. One, Inc. was incorporated under the laws of California as of 6/1/53. This close identification of the magazine, "One" with the Foundation continued for approximately a year, at which time there appeared a notice in "One" that the magazine had no connection with the Mattachine Society, as it was then called.

On 5/23 and 24/53, a convention was held at which the Mattachine Society was organized and the Mattachine Foundation, Inc. released its name to the new Society.

The Mattachine Society published a constitution dated 5/24/53, which is referred to hereafter but which states in the Preamble, "We, the members of the Mattachine Society, in full awareness of our social obligations as members of the human community, hold it necessary that a highly ethical homosexual culture be integrated into society; and, whereas the present laws of many lands are discriminatory and limit the best expressions of the culture; and, whereas we are resolved that these people shall find equality; and, whereas we desire to spread knowledge of the aims and aspirations of this Society through mutual education of its membership and of society, we therefore, hereby resolve..." (There follow the organizational details concerning the Society.)

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Articles of Incorporation were filed by the Mattachine Society, Inc. with the State of California 3/23/54, and a new constitution was adopted. The description of the specific and primary purposes of the Mattachine Society, Inc. contained in the Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

"That the specific and primary purpose for which this corporation is formed is to further and gain acceptance of the belief of sexual equality for all people using methods, primarily, as follows:

"1. To sponsor, supervise and conduct medical, social, social hygiene, pathological and therapeutic research of every kind and description and to publish and disseminate the results of such research as widely as possible.

"2. To sponsor, supervise and conduct educational enterprises for the aid and benefit of all persons socially, mentally or morally ill and to promote among the general public an interest, knowledge and understanding of the problems of such persons.

"3. To sponsor, supervise and conduct educational enterprises to promote among the general public an interest, knowledge, and understanding of sexual equality.

"4. To aid in the adjustment to society of such persons as may vary from the normal moral and social standards of society and to aid in the development of a highly ethical, social, and moral responsibility in all such persons.

"5. To protect, insofar as possible, these people from undue discriminations.

"6. To establish branches of this corporation.

"7. To publicize by printed information, radio, television, pamphlets, speakers bureaus, stage presentation and all other means of communication, the purposes and activities of this corporation.

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"That the general purposes for which this corporation is formed, in addition to those enumerated above, are as follows:

"1. To sue and be sued.

"2. To borrow money, contract debts, issue bonds, notes and debentures, and to secure same.

"3. To lease, purchase, hold, have, inherit, use and take possession of and enjoy any personal or real property necessary for the uses and purposes of the corporation, and to sell, lease, deed in trust, alien or dispose of the same at the pleasure of the corporation, and for the uses and purposes for which said corporation is formed and to buy and sell real or personal property and to apply the proceeds of sale, including any and all income, to the uses and purposes of the corporation.

"4. To do any and all other acts, things, business or businesses in any manner connected with or necessary, incidental, convenient or auxiliary to any of the objects hereinbefore enumerated or calculated, directly or indirectly, to promote the interest of the corporation...."

According to the Office of the California State Franchise Tax Board, the Mattachine Society, Inc. qualifies as a "civic league" and is not subject to franchise taxes. The general activities of the Mattachine Society, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the Society, are carried on through organized chapters which are part of an Area Council. The Area Council has representatives who meet with a Coordinating Council. The final policy and executive authority, however, rest in the general convention which is held annually. In general, the activities of the Society have been to hold discussion groups organized by various chapters to which non-members are invited, to hold social affairs, to engage in certain research projects and, in some instances, to defend sexual deviates who have fallen afoul of the law.

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
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In addition to the Preamble of the constitution of the Mattachine Society dated 5/24/53, Article 1 provides that "members shall be admitted regardless of race, color or creed" and that "no provision shall be made to destroy the anonymity of any member without his permission." Article 2 describes the general convention as the supreme governing body of the organization and describes its composition and how delegates shall be elected to it. Article 3 describes the Coordinating Council and how it shall be composed and its authority. Article 4 defines the Area Council and describes how it shall be composed and how it shall operate. Among other things, it provides that the Area Council may temporarily suspend chapter charters subject to ratification by the general convention. Article 5 defines the chapter and describes how it shall be organized.

This constitution was accompanied by a resolution which states, "Whereas this organization is neither political nor sectarian and whereas we believe that our group can only achieve the social integration which it seeks within the framework of a free society; and whereas we find it especially significant that the most brutal and restricted laws against homosexuality occur in those countries, like Russia, where freedom of the individual is most severely limited, and whereas those who attack the basic freedom of the individual in this country, both of the extreme right and the extreme left, have been the most bitter enemies of the homosexual, we, therefore, resolve to pledge ourselves to fight racial, religious and sexual discrimination within and outside the organization."

BYLAWS

The bylaws of the Mattachine Society provide for honorary memberships, fellowships, associate memberships, active memberships and sustaining memberships. Dues for a fellow member are established at \$50 per year; for an associate member at \$36 per year and for an active member at \$2 per year.

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The bylaws define the duties and authority of the officers of the chapters who are the chairman, the secretary and the treasurer, and provide a method for filling vacancies in the chapter offices. The bylaws provide that the chapter or Area Council shall not issue any public statement involving a policy of the Society or purporting to have the approval of the Society without first securing the written consent of the Coordinating Council, except in the case of a direct quotation from an officially adopted and public statement of policy or other official document of the Society. It is provided that no policy shall be considered official until adopted by the general convention. The bylaws also define the duties of the Area Council and the duties and authority of the Coordinating Council and provide for the manner of electing officers to the Coordinating Council.

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INC.

The powers and purposes of the Mattachine Society, Inc., as reflected in the Articles of Incorporation, are set forth under Background (Supra). No other constitution is available.

ORGANIZATION OF CHAPTERS AND AREA COUNCILS

On March 22, 1955, [redacted] furnished the following information concerning then existing Area Councils and chapters:

Office of the Board of Directors
P. O. Box 1925
Los Angeles 53, Calif.

Los Angeles Area Council
P. O. Box 1925
Los Angeles 53, Calif.

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San Francisco Area Council
P. O. Box 259
San Francisco 1, Calif.

Long Beach Area Council (Calif.)
P. O. Box 1232
Long Beach, Calif.

San Diego Area Council
P. O. Box 757
La Jolla, Calif.

Oakland-Berkeley Chapters (San Francisco Area Council)
P. O. Box 851
Oakland 4, Calif.

Chicago Area Council
P. O. Box 3513
Merchandise Mart Post Office
Chicago 54, Ill.

It is noted that rebulet summarizes information from a publication purportedly issued by the Mattachine Society, Inc. which was received by the Bureau in July, 1956 from a Congressman to the effect that there is also a post office address for the New York-Boston Chapters at Murray Hill Station Post Office, Box 194, New York 16, N.Y.

reported the following chapters in California:

<u>Chapter #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Area Council</u>
101	Suspended	Santa Monica, Calif.	Los Angeles
102	Public Relations	Los Angeles	Long Beach
103	Legal	"	Los Angeles
104	Research	"	"

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<u>Chapter #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Area Council</u>
105	Alpha	Los Angeles	Los Angeles
106	Discussion Group	"	"
107	Alpha	San Diego	San Diego
108	Berkeley	Berkeley	San Francisco
109	Alpha-General	San Francisco	"
110	Oakland	Oakland	"
111	Beta-Publications	San Francisco	"
112	Civic Affairs	Emeryville	"
113	Public Relations	Long Beach	Long Beach
114	Suspended	Los Angeles	Los Angeles
115	Gamma-Social	San Francisco	San Francisco
116	Educational	Chicago	Chicago
117	Key	San Diego	San Diego
118	Public Relations	Chicago	Chicago
119	Atwas	Detroit	"
120	Research	Chicago	"

This source reported the following chapters of the
Mattachine Society active as of 1/20/55:

Chicago	Chapter 160	52 members
	Chapter 161	32 members
	Chapter 163	39 members
	Chapter 164	62 members

New York	Chapter 170	21 members
	Chapter 171	38 members
	Chapter 172	26 members
	Chapter 173	9 members
	Chapter 174	61 members
	Chapter 175	23 members
	Chapter 176	39 members
	Chapter 177	24 members
	Chapter 178	25 members

Norfolk, Va.	Chapter 193	22 members
	Chapter 195	31 members

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Tampa,
Fla. 2 Chapters

Key West,
Fla. 4 Chapters

Jackson-
ville, Fla. 3 Chapters

New Orleans,
La. 9 small chapters, the largest having 12 members

PUBLICATIONS

With an issue dated January-February, 1955, the Mattachine Society began publication of a magazine called "Mattachine Review," price 50¢. The publication offices are located at Box 259, San Francisco 1, Calif. The first issue contains the following articles:

Vag Lewd, A Criticism of the California Statute
by HENRY SILVER
Facing Friends in a Small Town
by JAMES BARR
An Open Letter to Senator Dirksen

Plus poems, small articles, letters to the editor, book reviews and notes concerning the Mattachine Society and its activities.

In a directory on page 30 are set forth details concerning the "Mattachine Review," how manuscripts and advertisements will be handled and the addresses of the existing Area Councils. Also set forth under "Other Publications - U.S." is "One Magazine," published by One, Inc., 232 South Hill St., Los Angeles 12, Calif. Under "Foreign Organizations and Publications" are set forth various foreign organizations and publications in Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and India which organize or publish in the interests of sexual deviates.

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The November-December, 1955 issue of the "Mattachine Review" contains the following articles:

On the Cure of Homosexuality
by ALBERT ELLIS, Ph.D.
Sex, Religion and Myth
by DONAL NORTON
Regulating the Sex Urge
by LUTHER ALLEN
The Conditioning Factor
by CARL B. HARDING
Hadrian and Antinous - A Historical Sketch
by MACK FINGAL
A Forgotten Commonplace
by LYN PEDERSEN

In addition there are short features, book reviews, letters to the editor, official news of the Mattachine Society, news from the various chapters, etc.

It is noted that a resolution appears on the front cover page of this issue which reads as follows:

"RESOLUTION

"IN SUPPORT OF THE MODEL PENAL CODE

"WHEREAS the program of the Mattachine Society has always been to seek a realistic and judicial repeal of certain discriminatory statutes dealing with morals, and WHEREAS the Society has earnestly advocated the retention of certain laws for the protection of individuals in the community as follows:

- "a. Those prohibiting sex activities and indecent behavior in public;
- "b. Those prohibiting sex relations between adults and minors;
- "c. Those prohibiting sex activities which involve use of force or violence, and

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"d. Those prohibiting sex relationships which
transmit disease, and

"WHEREAS the Society believes that, except for these, the
basis for sex morals must, in a free and democratic society,
be the concern of the family, the church and medicine, now
therefore be it resolved:

"That the Mattachine Society urges all persons to support the
decisions made by the American Law Institute in its 1955 report,
'A Model Penal Code,' and does further urge that all individuals
make their opinions known to their state legislators in an
effort to have these recommendations adopted into law.

"Passed and adopted by the
Board of Directors
September 3, 1955"

The 7th issue of the "Mattachine Review" is dated
Christmas, 1955 and contains the following articles:

Juliet's Still Shaving

by JAMES BARR FUGATE

T. C. Jones' "The Other Side of the Coin"

by WES KNIGHT

Agreeable Disagreement from Toastmasters' Magazine

Sex Offenders Tell of Helping Themselves

I Left No Orphan

by PAUL UGLEN

Love Ideals - Christian and Greek

by R. H. CROWTHER

In addition there are poems, short features,
letters to the editor, etc.

It is noted that this issue, on its directory page,
states that area newsletters are published by the Area Councils
of Los Angeles-Long Beach, San Francisco and Chicago.

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A review of the available newsletters circulated by the Southern Area Council covering Los Angeles and vicinity reflects the following activity of the Mattachine Society and the Mattachine Society, Inc. and its chapters:

Newsletter 1/1/54 reflects that the California State Dept. of Health made an inquiry of the Society for assistance in curbing venereal disease among sexual variants. It also reflects that a research project was being conducted by Research Chapter #104 entitled, "Lesbian Research Program," wherein it was announced that this program was being conducted in cooperation with volunteer psychologists, and that the Society was assisting in every way possible. Also announced was a blood bank party which was organized by the Southern Area Council for the purpose of donating blood to the hemophilic fund. The balance of the letter contains notes concerning the activities of the various chapters in the Los Angeles area; a reprint from an article in "Time Magazine" of 12/28/53 captioned, "The Hidden Problem" which dealt with the murder of his parents by a homosexual; and a book review of the book, "The Heart in Exile." This letter also notes attention being given to the problem of homosexuals in London, England, and some discussions which have occurred in the English Parliament.

Newsletter 3/1/54 announces that the Mattachine Society was supporting a legal case involving a technical point of law and appeals for funds. It also contains an article on who must register under the state or city law requiring the registration of sexual deviates, plus general notes concerning the activities of chapters and the Area Councils.

Newsletter 4/1/54 notes that funds were needed to prepare transcripts on the "Slade Case" which was being tested in the courts and which the Mattachine Society, Inc. was supporting. It also notes that [redacted]

[redacted] was in Los Angeles and had been in consultation with representatives of the Mattachine Society in connection with a survey being made by [redacted] to be published under the title, "The Sex Offender and the Law."

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Newsletter 7/1/54 notes that the Los Angeles Area Council (Southern Area Council) had rented offices at 357 Belmont Avenue, Los Angeles. It also notes that the Long Beach (California) Chapters had formed a Long Beach Area Council.

Newsletter 8/1/54 reprints a summary of a report given by [redacted] of the Univ. of California at Los Angeles which had been given by [redacted] at the Long Beach, Calif. Convention of the Western Psychologists. [redacted] had worked with the Mattachine Society in certain phases of her research in the field of sexual deviates.

Newsletter 9/1/54 reports that Los Angeles Legal Chapter #103 was suspended from the Mattachine Society by the Los Angeles Area Council at a meeting held 8/20/54, because the chairman of Chapter #103 had engaged in investigations of several of its members. Such activities on the part of the chairman were charged to be in direct violation of the anonymity clause of the constitution of the Society and not in the best interests of the Society. It is reported that the chairman of Chapter #103 defended his action by stating that his investigations concerned the threat of Communism upon the Society, and that no attempt had been made to obtain information in regard to the personal lives of the persons involved. Information received from [redacted] reflects that Chapter #103 was the legal chapter of the Mattachine Society and included members from other areas, and that one [redacted] was alleged to have been doing investigations of members of the Mattachine Society. [redacted] had stated that he belonged to an organization which bound him to investigate Communism.

Newsletter November, 1954 contains an article on "Public Relations" which points out that every member of the Mattachine Society, Inc. is a part of the Public Relations Dept. and that included in the public relations effort of the members of the Society was the responsibility of "saying 'homosexual' instead of terms more frequently heard; it means frowning instead of laughing at jokes on the sex variant. And for both, variant and non-variant alike, it means absorbing every bit of available factual information on the subject and taking advantage of every opportunity to pass it

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"along to anyone receptive. This is the job of everyone in the Public Relations Department, this is everyone's job."

Newsletter January, 1955 contains a book review on a book entitled, "Sex In History" by G. ATTRAY TAYLOR (London, Thames on Hudson, 1953). Also included is a message to the area which refers to the appearance of the first issue of the "Mattachine Review" in which it is noted "We are reminded by an article in 'Time Magazine' of January 10th of an incident in the not too distant past when the Mattachine Society was accused of being Communistic. More than 300 homosexuals, according to the article, were picked up in one night in an effort to check the rapid growth of sexual deviation in Argentina. The rise in the number of 'shameful attacks on women' was listed as one of the reasons for the drive and the solution arrived at--licensing of bordellos which had been closed since the ban of 1936.

"Those of us who know something of the situation of the homosexual in America realize that conditions leave much to be desired in handling the problem here, but contrast our situation with that of a country ruled by a dictator. Are we Communist bait? Knowing what happened to sex deviates in countries where the state was, and is, all, are we that blind? We recommend the article to interested persons."

Newsletter April, 1955 announces that the Mattachine Society would hold its annual convention in Los Angeles on 5/14 and 15/55. It also notes that an amendment to Section 13 of Article 1 of the California Constitution had been proposed in the California Assembly which would change the first part of this article to add the underlined portion.

"Section 13: In criminal prosecutions, in any court whatever, the party accused shall have the right to a speedy and public trial, except that if such party is accused of a sex crime, the court may exclude from the courtroom all persons other than officers and attaches of the court, the accused, and the jury..."

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It was stated that the foregoing was reported without comment in the newsletter.

Newsletter August, 1955 reported that [redacted] was the principal speaker at the first monthly dinner meeting of the Los Angeles Area Council held 8/3/55 and had talked on the American Law Institute's model penal code and the significance of the recently adopted code which recommends abolishment of most sex laws dealing with sodomy. It also notes that [redacted] was a speaker at the July discussion group meeting of the Los Angeles Area Council.

Newsletter September, 1955 notes that the Board of Directors at its meeting in San Francisco on 9/3-5/55 had voted to aid in the revision of outdated sex laws as recommended by the American Law Institute. It also notes that [redacted] would be in Los Angeles in the near future for the purpose of arranging interviews for his forthcoming book, "Sex and the Law" to be published in five volumes. It also notes that [redacted] had addressed a Board of Directors meeting in San Francisco on 9/4/55, and described her as [redacted]. It is also noted that [redacted] of Los Angeles; [redacted] New York City, and [redacted] of San Francisco had attended sessions of the Board of Directors meeting in San Francisco.

Newsletter November, 1955 notes that [redacted] had set the date of 11/11/55 as the date for organizing a chapter in New York City. It also notes that more than 200 persons from the New York area had contacted the Society in the past and inquired concerning its activities. It notes that [redacted] a noted authority on hormones, had been a guest at the dinner meeting held on 11/2/55.

Newsletter January, 1956 notes that 1/29/56 was the date for the Mid-Winter Institute organized by One, Inc.

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Newsletter February, 1956 notes that [redacted]

[redacted]
would speak at the Los Angeles Area Council dinner on 3/6/56.
It also notes that [redacted]
at UCLA, would speak at the Los Angeles Area Council discussion
group meeting to be held 2/15/56. and that [redacted]

[redacted]
would be the featured speaker at the Los Angeles Area Council
dinner meeting 2/7/56.

CONVENTIONS

[redacted] a self-admitted homosexual.
advised SA [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] and that the member-
ship of the Society had dropped from 300 to less than 100
inasmuch as they were getting rid of all the dead weight
who did not pay dues. [redacted]

[redacted] and he had never encountered
anything which he would consider of a subversive nature. He
stated the objective of the Society was to make the lot of the
homosexual better. He said he never met anyone in the organ-
ization whom he would consider subversive or who had any
Communist leanings.

The Mattachine Society, Inc. announced its third
annual convention to be held on the theme of "Survey of the
Homophilic Problem, 1956" at the Hotel Bellevue, Gary and
Taylor Sts., San Francisco, Calif. 5/11-13/56. The program
reflects the following activities of interest:

Saturday, May 12:

Address on the Homophilic Press by DON SLATER of
One, Inc., Los Angeles

Report on the Mattachine in Eastern States

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Comment on the Law by KEN ZEWEERIN, attorney at law,
San Francisco
Introduction to a Survey of the Homophilic
Problem, 1956, by BASIL
VAERLEN, Research Director,
San Francisco
Conditioning of Pre-School Children by Mrs. RHODA
KELLOGG, Golden Gate Nursery
School, San Francisco
When Does the Homophilic Need A Psychiatric Treatment
Dr. DANIEL LIEBERMAN, Supt.
and Medical Director,
Mendocino State Hospital,
Mendocino, Calif.
The Homophilic in State Prisons
ROBERT FLICKEN, Counselor,
San Quentin Prison, San
Quentin, Calif.
The Homosexual and the Law by HERBERT E. SELWYN,
attorney at law, Los Angeles
Rehabilitation of the Sexual Offender in California.
Dr. R. S. ROOD, Supt. and
Medical Director, Atascadero
State Hospital, Atascadero,
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NEW YORK 16, N. Y.
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Dear Mr. Goodie:

Your letter of the 1st. just reached my hands last night; hence the delay.

I am enclosing a copy of our latest Newsletter; the next issue is due to come out in about two weeks and we shall send you a copy.

We shall be delighted to meet you and hope that you will participate in our activities during your stay in New York. The Newsletter will give you an idea of our work here - at least qualitatively. We are always short-handed and can really use any help offered.

There is no chapter of the Daughters of Bilitis in New York yet, but we hope that one will be formed before too long. It seems that the ladies are rather shy and not too anxious to join organizations. We do have some women members in our New York chapters, and I must say that they more than counterbalance their being so few with their devotion. Perhaps your friend would like to attend one of our meetings - we shall certainly roll out the red carpet for her.

 will be in San Francisco from September 29th. to October 14th. He has asked me to ask you to get in touch with him there. You should be able to reach him through the Society, for he will undoubtedly be spending most of his time at 693 Mission Street.

If there are any questions you have concerning our activities, please do not hesitate: we shall be most happy to answer them.

Looking forward to meeting you upon your arrival in New York, we remain,

Faternally yours,

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.



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Mattachine Society, Inc.

New York Area Council

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21 VARIATIONS, edited by Donald Webster Cory. \$3.75.
A collection of 21 short stories that includes many famous names and a number of tales that might have become famous had it not been that they dealt with this particular subject.

Recommended Reading;

SHIP'S COMPANY by Lonnie Coleman (Little, Brown). -
A collection of short stories loosely held together because the characters are all aboard a troop-carrying tub during World War II. Perceptive understanding of individual strengths and weaknesses - especially in "The Theban Warriors" where Barney Casper is drawn inexorably to Monty, the assured show-off. Only in "Bird of Paradise" is the author deliberately hostile with his portrait proving that the female of the species is more deadly than the male.

14 FOR TONIGHT by Steve Allen. Dull. \$.35 The popular TV comedian shows his virtuosity in this uneven and off-beat collection of short stories. No 9 - Houston Incident - sets up a situation leading to conventional expectations of violence but the warmth of his understanding avoids it at the last moment.

MONTHLY DINNER

The September 11th. meeting will be preceded by the usual dinner at a restaurant in the neighborhood of the Avlon Studios. ALL ARE WELCOME. We hope that many of our non-member friends will join us and thus give us the opportunity to get to know them. If interested, please contact a member or drop us a line at the Post Office Box. You will find the food appetizing, the prices very reasonable, the atmosphere pleasant, and the company "well, we are too modest to say: "brilliant... witty... charming... scintillating...", so we'll just let you find out and supply the proper adjectives.

MATTACHINE NEWSLETTER

4th ISSUE - August-September

Published by the Newsletter Committee of the New York Area Council, Mattachine Society, Inc.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, September 11th, 8:30. Avlon Studios, 220 W. 43rd Street - Area Council Open Meeting.

Topic: Discussion of the TV broadcast on the OPEN MIND series, devoted to "Homosexuality" on August 4th. A tape recording of the audio will form the basis of the discussion.

Chapter Meetings:

Tuesday, September 4th. Editorial-Writing Chapter. Topic: Organization of the work for the Book Section of Mattachine Review which will become a monthly feature in 1957.

Monday, September 17th. Educational-Research Chapter. Topic: "The Homosexual and Politics".

Monday, September 24th. Legal-Legislative Chapter. Topic (To be announced)

Tuesday, October 2nd. Area Council Open Meeting. Probably at Avlon Studios. Topic to be announced.

Monday, October 15th. Editorial-Writing Chapter Chairman's report of visit to Review Office.

Monday, October 22nd. Legal-Legislature Chapter.

Saturday, October 27th. Second Quarterly Meeting. Speaker and topic to be announced.

NOTABLE TELEVISION PROGRAM

On Saturday, August 4th., at 7 p.m., WRCA-TV (Channel 4) broke significant new ground with its round table discussion of "Homosexuality," as one of the topics in its Open Mind series. This sustaining program invites specialists in particular fields to discuss the important social problems which face us today. Mr. Richard Heffener had as his guests on the panel Dr. Robert Laidlaw, psychiatrist, of Roosevelt Hospital, Miss Florence Kelly, lawyer, of the Legal Aid Society, and Dr. Arthur Swift, minister and department head, the New School for Social Research. All of the participants seemed fully aware of the extent of the social phenomenon with which they were dealing and of the impossibility of doing more than merely opening it up for further treatment at a later date. That they were successful in doing so can be judged from the fact that, within a week of the broadcast WRCA-TV had announced that at least two further sessions would be scheduled on the topic. So far as we have been able to learn, this has not happened before in the two months of the program's existence and it must surely have been the result of heavy - and favorable - mail response from listeners. We will make every effort to publicize the later broadcasts but they may not be scheduled in time for inclusion in our Newsletters. We suggest that you check this program regularly in order not to miss the follow-up discussions.

At our September 11th. meeting, we hope to have permission to play the tape we made of this broadcast so that anyone who missed it may have an opportunity to hear it. Discussion of the round-table and particularly of the directions which subsequent sessions might take will be an important part of our meeting period. Try to be present. Our discussion will be recorded and sent to the Society's Board of Directors along with the tape of the broadcast, for their perusal.

NEW YORK MATTACHINE'S "DAY IN THE SUN"

On Saturday, August 13th., nine members of the Society and twenty guests gathered for an outing to Bear Mountain Park via the Hudson River Day Line. Despite the problems involved in finding each other and keeping together in a crowd of nearly 3000 people, we had one of the most enjoyable and rewarding get-togethers possible. Unfortunately, one guest became seasick before we reached 125th. Street but a member took charge and a safe landing was possible. For the rest of us, the day proved rewarding in its opportunity to get to know and to like so many of our non-member friends. Guests came from as far as New Haven, Conn., Trenton, New Jersey, and Lorain, Ohio. We are looking forward to other such trips in the future and have a committee working on the problem of finding other recreation spots where we can possibly feel less overwhelmed by non-Mattachine hordes surrounding us.

TAPES OF CONVENTION TALKS RECEIVED

The tape recordings made at the annual convention of the Society in May of this year are being copied from the masters and sent to the New York Area Council. We have received four of the talks - a total of two hours - and will schedule them for various chapter meetings during the coming months.

ACTIVITY IN WASHINGTON

Word has been received from Washington that a member of the Society who is currently living there has had a preliminary meeting with a group of people interested in forming a chapter there. For the convenience of the majority of the group, meetings are held on Sunday afternoons. New York members are especially welcome. Inquire if you are interested in attending.

NEW MEMBERS IN NEW YORK

Two new members of the Society were pledged at the meeting of the Educational-Research Chapter on August 13th. Applications from three other persons are pending, and it is expected that they will be pledged at the September 11th. meeting of the New York Area Council.

Frequent inquiries are received as to how membership is obtained in the Society. Application must be made to one of the Chapters, not to the Area Council. Before the membership of the Chapter can recommend the applicant for membership in the Society, it is obvious that the people making up the Chapter must know something about the applicant. And it is equally obvious that the person desiring membership should know something of the work done by each chapter and of the people who belong to it. We, therefore, strongly recommend that people who wish to support the Society by becoming its members should arrange to attend chapter meetings. Because our financial resources are extremely limited, we do not hold chapter meetings in rented meeting halls. Therefore, it is not possible to announce the place of the meetings far enough in advance to include this information in the Newsletter. If you want to attend any of the Chapter meetings, call one of the members - many of us have our home phones listed in the telephone book - so that arrangements can be made. Or, if this is not convenient, send your inquiry to our Post Office box, and we will reply by letter or telephone as you request.

We have found that some potential members have been reluctant to join because they could not wholeheartedly subscribe to one of the sections of the constitution which they pledge themselves to uphold. We do not hold to a rigid, legalistic interpretation to this section of the pledge. It would be unrealistic to do so, since our constitution has been amended at every annual convention since its original adoption.

What we do hold our members to is an acceptance of the spirit of the Constitution rather than the exact letter. Were we to do otherwise, we would swallow a camel but strain at a gnat. If you are not sure of the spirit of any section of the Constitution, discuss it with any member or with either of the members of the Board of Directors who are New York residents. We are available to help you in this matter, as well as in any other that affects you and your relationship to Mattachine.

We have had a constantly recurring problem in our relationship with our non-member friends who attend our meetings. Society members try to talk with those of you we have seen rarely or not at all before the meetings, during the intermission periods, and after our adjournment. Yet word constantly comes back to us - from people who have joined us only once or twice - that we regularly ignore the stranger within our gates. We have tried to discover how this discrepancy might have arisen: we on our side making every effort to make the newcomer feel at home - but so many strangers feeling that they are unwanted.

Is this the explanation? When you as an individual come to your first meeting of the Mattachine Society, with a good deal of trepidation and little sense of relaxed ease, you naturally assume that everyone at the meeting is a member of the Society and you are the only outsider. But, the chances are far greater that the majority of the people you see there are non-members, many of whom - perhaps even as much as 50% at some meetings - are first participants like yourself, feeling the same anxieties, the same hesitations, the same desire to be approached along with the same reluctance to make the first move yourself. Won't you give yourself - and other first-timers - a break? Meet each other half-way. Find out which of the persons in that group of five is a member, so you'll be ready to talk when he has a chance to break away. A sizable proportion of our membership lives out of town - some as far distant as Kansas and Virginia. The rest of us do the best we can, but there

is often last-minute business we must transact with another member before the meeting, or at intermission. We may be buttonholed by a non-member as soon as we arrive and, by handling his questions, problems and discussion, have little opportunity to devote all the time to you that we'd like to.

At our Bear Mountain outing on the 18th, eight members took it upon themselves to carry the social burden with the twenty-odd non-members. We felt that we did a good job of it. We enjoyed getting to know our friends better and felt that they got a clearer idea of Mattachine by deepening their friendship with us. Yet we have found since that even though we did all we could - and we are the first to admit that we are basically introvert and have to make an effort to play the socially extroverted role - there were still complaints that we had not done enough to make our guests feel at home. We humbly apologize to everyone who may have gathered this impression of us as people unfriendly to strangers. We do not feel that we are, for we are acutely aware of our responsibilities to others. Won't you give us another chance before judging us too harshly?

BOOK SECTION

We have discovered a few copies of the following rare books. We include the names of particular bookstores, not because we are trying to throw sales their way, but because we have found books in them that are not generally available. If you order by mail, be sure to enclose postage.

At the Radio City Bookstore, 109 W. 48th St., NYC
DERRICKS, by James Barr. \$2.75 - A collection of superb stories, all on the theme, but in contrasting styles and varied plots. Here is proof, if any was needed, that homosexuality offers an infinite variety of aspects.

LOOK DOWN IN MERCY, by Walter Baxter (American Edition) 59¢ - An absorbing but unusually violent and gory war story, considered by many as one of the best novels dealing with homosexuality. The British version ends in suicide, whereas in the American edition the protagonist finally accepts himself and returns to his friend.

THE INVISIBLE GLASS, by Loren Wahl. \$2.50 - Another absorbing war novel, long out of print. Here the author tackles two problems simultaneously: homosexuality and interracial relations. Some consider that its ending in violence and its needlessly descriptive heterosexual scenes detract from its total value, but it still remains a powerful, well-written book. The pocket book edition, retitled "If This Be Sin," has had at least one significant passage suppressed.

At Marbore Books (mail orders should be addressed to 222 Fourth Avenue, New York). Apparently not every one of the retail outlets carry these particular books, but the store at 56 West 8th. St. had them when we went to press:

THE 6000 BEARDS OF ATHOS, by Ralph Brewster. \$1.89. Delightful account of life in the monasteries of Mount Athos, from which all female creatures are rigidly excluded. Some readers have complained that the author was interested in only one thing, sex. The criticism is valid, of course, but why berate the donkey for not being a horse?

EDWARD II, by Christopher Marlowe. 69¢ - Editors and anthologists, not to mention college professors, have studiously avoided this masterpiece of the Elizabethan stage, a play in which King Edward II loses crown and life because of his love for Piers Gaveston.

DE PROFUNDIS, by Oscar Wilde. \$1.98 - The only complete edition of Wilde's introspective and utterly frank "letter" to Alfred Douglas.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 11/8/56

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-37394)

SUBJECT: THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.
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(OO: Los Angeles)

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Re Los Angeles letter to the Bureau dated August 23, 1956, cc: New York, et al.

[redacted] on October 24, 1956, furnished the originals of the following items:

1. Letter [redacted]

New York Area Council, Mattachine Society, Inc. In his letter [redacted] informed there was no chapter of the Daughters of Bilitis, but hoped one would be formed soon. [redacted]

2. August-September 1954 issue of "Mattachine Newsletter," published by the New York Area Council, Mattachine Society, Inc.

Photostats of the two above-described items are being furnished to you for completion of your file on captioned organization.

A photostat of the above-described items is maintained in 100-37394 Sub. A.

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[Huggins]
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INFORMATION CONCERNING
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On March 4, 1957, a letter was directed to the Washington Field Office (WFO) instructing that an inquiry be made in this matter to determine the identities of individuals operating the Washington chapter and if possible identify individual members of the chapter; that the list of individual members be forwarded under instant caption; that the indices of WFO be checked to determine whether an inquiry concerning these individuals had been conducted under the Security of Government Employees (SGE) Program and if so a communication be directed to the Bureau under each specific individual case caption; and that the inquiry be limited to contacts with established sources.

WFO letter April 2, 1957, advised that Post Office (P. O.) Box 8815 is rented by [redacted] Johnson notes Huggins rented a Box that his references were [redacted]

[redacted] that [redacted] uses P. O. Box 8815 for the organization, which, according to P. O. records, is the "Health Education and Sex Society"; and that [redacted] also rents [redacted] for personal mail.

WFO letter also stated that the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI) is conducting an investigation of captioned organization in California and has established a mail cover on P. O. Box 8815, the results of which for January and February 1957 were made available and reflected 23 pieces of correspondence addressed to [redacted] and 4 addressed to the society. None of the 4 were received from individuals. It was noted that some of the mail addressed to [redacted] was received from [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he was of the opinion [redacted] might be identical with [redacted] who formerly served in the U. S. Navy and who at one time was an applicant for a position in the State Department. WFO advised its indices are negative regarding this individual.

WFO letter also advised that The Credit Bureau, Inc., maintains a 1948 report reflecting a [redacted] was employed [redacted]

[redacted] WFO advised that a separate communication has been sent to the St. Louis Office requesting a review of [redacted] file. This letter also states arrest records, Metropolitan Police Department and the U. S. Park Police are negative regarding [redacted] that checks are being made with the Civil Service Commission and the State Department; and that contacts will be made with [redacted] of the Metropolitan Police Department Morals Division for information in this matter, it being noted that [redacted] has been on sick leave and his records have not been available for examination.

A check of Bufiles reflects the only reference identifiable with [redacted] mentioned above, is that he [redacted]

A review of Bufiles reflects the following data which could be identified with [redacted]

In November 1954 [redacted]

[redacted] that he and a party of 9 were given a special tour of the Bureau on May 18, 1955, at which time he made very favorable comments concerning the work of the FBI and he thought it would be an excellent idea if every citizen of the nation had an opportunity of seeing the Bureau's facilities; that on February 24, 1956, [redacted]

[redacted] requested the Bureau to conduct a handwriting comparison examination for [redacted] the questioned signature being on a veteran's insurance policy wherein the veteran

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was killed in an airplane crash and a claim on the policy was submitted sometime later, which claim requested a change in beneficiary; and that [] was advised the Bureau regretted it could not accede to the [] request and suggested he might desire to engage a private handwriting expert.

By airgram December 15, 1955, the Bureau's representative in Mexico City reported that the December 15, 1955, issue of the Mexican daily newspaper "Excelsior" contained an article from International News Service at West Frankfort, Illinois, to the effect [] had expressed the opinion he had been poisoned in Mexico City during November 1955 while there to inspect the Pan American Highway; that [] reportedly stated while dining at a Mexico City hotel an unknown individual had approached him and could have put something in his hot chocolate; and that [] was quoted as stating he was asking the Department of State to investigate. The airgram further stated that U. S. Embassy officials in Mexico City had received instructions to investigate the matter but had discontinued the investigation, expressing the belief [] was merely a victim of a stomach disorder from Mexican food.

On February 15, 1956, a copy of the address of [] First National Bank, St. Louis, Missouri, to the Christopher Council of the Knights of Columbus, Christopher, Illinois, was sent to the Director by []. In this address [] concerned himself with "the duties and obligations we owe our Government in the preservation of principles and ideals that we seem to enjoy so fully and value so lightly."

A review of Bufiles reflects the following concerning a [] who may be identical with the afore-mentioned []

A [] HUGGINS was the subject of a "Selective Service-Conscientious Objector" case, Springfield origin. He was registered with Local Draft Board #1, Herrin, Illinois, the records of which contain his address as []

[] In a letter dated April 18, 1942, addressed to [] Local Draft Board #1, Herrin, Illinois, [] requested his appeal for conscientious objection be withdrawn immediately as he was convinced that his being in a

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group of virile, heterosexual males at any camp would be disastrous to all concerned. The Assistant U. S. Attorney, Danville, Illinois, upon receipt of advice of the above letter stated that the investigation in the matter should be discontinued.

On February 23, 1945, U. S. Representative Mary T. Norton addressed a letter to the Attorney General enclosing a copy of a report on Bill H. R. 2232 to "Establish a Permanent FEPC" and stating that page 7 of the report contains the following statement of [redacted] of Texas in the minority viewpoints: "It might be remiss not to point out that said employees include a number who have subversive records, according to the records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and according to the findings of the Attorney General of the United States." One such individual listed under the heading "Washington, D. C.," was a [redacted] Mrs. Norton requested a statement as to the truth of [redacted] statement or some idea whether such findings had ever been made by the Attorney General.

S. A. Andretta, Executive Assistant to the Attorney General, by memorandum to the Director dated February 27, 1945, furnished a copy of Congresswoman Norton's letter and enclosure thereto and requested a check of the names against the Bureau's index of individuals who had been reported to the Bureau for investigation as authorized under Public Laws 135 and 644 of the 77th Congress. Bureau memorandum to Andretta dated March 9, 1945, set forth the data requested concerning the individuals who had been so investigated; however, [redacted] name was not included.

The following information was contained in Springfield letter dated June 24, 1955, captioned [redacted] Security of Government Employees":

On June 8, 1955, [redacted] University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, confidentially advised that on the preceding day one [redacted] called at his office requesting he be shown the record [redacted] concerning him. [redacted] HUGGINS reportedly stated that information contained in the file concerning homosexual activities on his part had been instrumental in making it difficult for him to obtain a promotion in the position he held with the U. S. Government in Washington, D. C. [redacted] reportedly indicated he was at that time a homosexual and he intended to continue as

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one. [] further advised that [] declined to state specifically the nature of his employment with the U. S. Government; that [] was somewhat ambiguous in statements concerning such employment in Washington, D. C. []

On June 8, 1955, Confidential Source of Information [] advised that the files of the [] University of Illinois, reflected the following:

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In February 1942 the Counseling Bureau, University of Illinois, reported little progress was recorded for [] and it was recommended that he be separated from the University.

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On December 9, 1952, the Committee of Bar Examiners, State of California, advised that it had received an application for registration as a law student from [] in which [] disclosed he had been disciplined on grounds of homosexuality while at the University of Illinois. The committee requested further information concerning this incident.

The files of the Recorder's Office, University of Illinois, made available on June 8, 1955, by [] reflect that []

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The above records contain the following background data concerning []

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On January 5, 1955, Bureau memorandum to Mr. Kimbell Johnson, Chief, Investigations Division, U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., advised that [redacted] had made the statement he was employed with the Federal Government in Washington, D. C., and that a source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that [redacted]

SAC, Washington Field (100-33796)

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Director, FBI (100-403320)

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In connection with your inquiry concerning this matter you should ascertain the present employment of [redacted] possibility exists he may be engaged in the practice of law. You should also ascertain whether any of the 23 pieces of correspondence addressed to [redacted] at Post Office (P. O.) Box 8815 were from individuals indicating an interest in possible membership in captioned society. During the course of your inquiry in this matter you should ascertain the names of the members of the society in Washington, D. C., it being noted that the main purpose of this inquiry is to determine the identities of individuals who are members of this society and who might be of interest to this Bureau under the Security of Government Employees Program.

The Chicago Office is instructed to determine the nature of the employment of [redacted]

You should also check available records of that office for additional pertinent background data concerning [redacted]

The New York Office is instructed to discreetly ascertain the nature of the correspondence addressed to [redacted] from the Department of Justice, Southern District of New York. Any available records should be reviewed for additional pertinent information concerning [redacted] and his background.

There is enclosed for each office a copy of a memorandum prepared at the Bureau dated April 12, 1957, setting forth a resume of this case together with the results of the Bureau's file review.

All inquiries in this matter are to be limited to established sources. Buded May 4, 1957.

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During the course of an investigation concerning the MATTACHINE SOCIETY INC. (NY file 100-132065) it was ascertained that the [REDACTED] of the New York area Council of that organization in September 1956 was on [REDACTED] This information is contained in serial 6 of the above listed case file.

[REDACTED]

It is noted that the Mattachine Society is an organization incorporated in the state of California and has as its announced purposes to sponsor, supervise and conduct scientific research in the field of homosexuality and to aid in the social integration and rehabilitation of the sexual variant.

This memo is being prepared and forwarded to Sec. 11 for appropriate action.

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Rebulet to Washington Field, 4/16/57.

On 4/22/57, SA [redacted] contacted Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS A. BOLAN, SDNY, in an effort to ascertain the nature of the correspondence addressed to [redacted]

[redacted] from the US Dept. of Justice, SDNY. It is noted that AUSA BOLAN has been extremely cooperative with agents of the NYO in connection with Bureau cases for the past several years and has been contacted frequently by SA [redacted] during the past two years with regard to the HARVEY MATUSOW and PAUL HAROLD HUGHES perjury cases and various Smith Act of 1940 cases.

AUSA BOLAN advised that his office maintains an index of all investigations or cases handled by the office, but does not index individuals contacted by various AUSAs in connection with their cases. Mr. BOLAN advised that a search of the indices of his office disclosed no reference to [redacted] or the Mattachine Society, Inc. Mr. BOLAN pointed out that there are approximately 200 employees of the SDNY who have access to that District's official stationary.

Page two of the memorandum attached to rebulet reflects that mail address to [redacted] included mail from one [redacted]

It is noted that one [redacted]

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AUSA BOLAN advised [redacted]

BOLAN stated [redacted]

SA [redacted] 7/15/53, at NY, captioned [redacted]

Departmental Applicant, [redacted]

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[redacted] Southern District of New York." It is noted that this report contained no unfavorable information concerning [redacted]

In view of the above information it would appear that the letter to [redacted] from the Southern District of New York may possibly have been sent by [redacted]

The files of NYO contain no information concerning [redacted] and contain no information re the Mattachine Society, Inc., which is not in the possession of the Bureau.

No additional investigation is being conducted re this matter, UACB.

201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York
February 18, 1959

This is in answer to your request for a check of FBI-NY files only regarding the Mattachine Society.

The FBI never investigated the above society. However the following information was received from the Los Angeles office of the FBI.

The Mattachine movement had its inception in 1950 when a small group inaugurated the first discussion group. This early activity resulted in the organization of a secret society under the name of the Mattachine Foundation which filed incorporation papers in the State of California on April 27, 1953, and was thereafter known as the Mattachine Foundation, Inc. The announced purposes of this first organization were: "The specific and primary purposes for which this corporation is formed are to sponsor, supervise and conduct scientific research in the field of homosexuality; to publish and disseminate the results of such research; and to aid in the social integration and rehabilitation of the sexual variant."

The Mattachine Foundation, Inc. expanded its operations and established chapters in the Los Angeles and San Francisco, California areas and either organized or became closely identified with a publication known as "One, the Homosexual Magazine" published by One, Inc., 307 South Hill Street, Los Angeles. One, Inc. was

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incorporated under the laws of California as of June 1, 1953. This close identification of the magazine "One" with the Foundation continued for approximately a year, at which time there appeared a notice in "One" that the magazine had no connection with the Mattachine Society, as it was then called.

On May 23 and 24, 1953, a convention was held at which the Mattachine Society was organized and the Mattachine Foundation, Inc. released its name to the new Society.

The Mattachine Society published a constitution dated May 24, 1953, which is referred to hereafter but which states in the Preamble, "We, the members of the Mattachine Society, in full awareness of our social obligations as members of the human community, hold it necessary that a highly ethical homosexual culture be integrated into society; and, whereas the present laws of many lands are discriminatory and limit the best expressions of the culture; and, whereas we are resolved that these people shall find equality, and, whereas we desire to spread knowledge of the aims and aspirations of this Society, we therefore, hereby resolve..." (There follow the organizational details concerning the Society.)

Articles of Incorporation were filed by the Mattachine Society, Inc. with the State of California March 23, 1954, and a new constitution was adopted. The description of the specific and primary purposes of the Mattachine Society, Inc. contained in the Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

"That the specific and primary purpose for which this corporation is formed is to further and gain acceptance of the belief of sexual equality for all people using methods, primarily, as follows:

"1. To sponsor, supervise and conduct medical, social, social hygiene, pathological and therapeutic research of every kind and description and to publish and disseminate the results of such research as widely as possible.

"2. To sponsor, supervise and conduct educational enterprises for the aid and benefit of all persons socially, mentally or morally ill and to promote among the general public an interest, knowledge and understanding of the problems of such persons.

"3. To sponsor, supervise and conduct educational enterprises to promote among the general public an interest, knowledge, and understanding of sexual equality.

"4. To aid in the adjustment to society of such persons as may vary from the normal moral and social standards of society and to aid in the development of a highly ethical, social, and moral responsibility in all such persons.

"5. To protect, insofar as possible, these people from undue discriminations.

"6. To establish branches of this corporation.

"7. To publicize by printed information, radio, television, pamphlets, speakers bureaus, stage presentation and all other means of communication, the purposes and activities of this corporation.

"That the general purposes for which this corporation is formed, in addition to those enumerated above, are as follows:

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"4. To do any and all other acts, things, business or businesses in any manner connected with or necessary, incidental, convenient or auxiliary to any of the objects hereinbefore enumerated or calculated, directly or indirectly, to promote the interest of the corporation..."

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The New York Office of the FBI has a copy of a letter dated September 12, 1956 bearing the letterhead of the Mattachine Society Inc., Post Office Box 194, Murray Hill Station, New York 16, New York. One [redacted] signed the letter as [redacted]

This letter stated that [redacted]

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised of the following chapters of the Mattachine Society active as of January 20, 1955 in the New York area.

Chapter 170	21 members
Chapter 171	38 members
Chapter 172	26 members
Chapter 173	9 members
Chapter 174	61 members
Chapter 175	23 members
Chapter 176	39 members
Chapter 177	24 members
Chapter 178	25 members

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Re Houston airtel to the Director dated 11/19/58,
captioned "CHINDEL - CND" re Attaching Society, Inc.

For the information of the Boston and Detroit
offices, who did not receive copies of referenced airtel,
ONE [redacted] Corpus Christi, Texas, furnished the
following information to SA [redacted] of the Houston
Office on 11/14/58:

The captioned society was founded and incorporated
in California on 6/7/52 as a secret society, with headquarters
in Los Angeles. The society is an organization composed mainly
of sex deviates and homosexuals. On 5/11/53 the secrecy was
dropped and the organization came out into the open. Since
then, the organization has published a bimonthly magazine
entitled "Attaching Review," which is distributed from San
Francisco, California. According to [redacted] chapters have been
formed in Chicago, New York, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh.

[redacted] further informed that about 60% of the officers
of the chapters are known homosexuals and individuals who have
allegedly participated in Communist Party "front groups."

- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Boston (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Chicago (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Cleveland (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Dallas (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Detroit (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - El Paso (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Houston (94-197) (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - New York (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Phoenix (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Pittsburgh (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Antonio (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - San Francisco (100-37394) (Info.) (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Washington Field (Info.) (REGISTERED)
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The Mattachine "Newsletter" for May, 1959, issued by the Los Angeles Area Council, listed the following Mattachine offices:

Boston Area Council
P.O. Box 1499, Boston 4, Massachusetts

Detroit Area Council
P.O. Box 1434, Detroit 31, Michigan

Los Angeles Area Council
P.O. Box 1925, Los Angeles 53, California

New York Area Council
1133 Broadway, Suite 409, New York 10, N.Y.

Phoenix Area Council
Mr. ROBERT OLSON, 1622 Palmyra Way,
Phoenix, Arizona

San Francisco Area Council
693 Mission Street
San Francisco 9, California

The "Newsletter" announced that the Sixth Annual Convention of the Mattachine Society is to be held at Denver, Colorado, September 4 - 7, and that the Albany Hotel in downtown Denver has been selected as convention headquarters.

The above is furnished the Bureau and other offices for information.

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TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 6/8/59

FROM : ASAC E. H. WINTERROWD (100-132065)

SUBJECT: LECTURE OF REPORTER [REDACTED] 6/10/59,
MATTACHINE SOCIETY, AT FREEDOM HOUSE, NYC

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[REDACTED] Bureau, telephonically requested the writer to have a lecture by William DUFTY discreetly covered. This lecture is scheduled for 8:30 P.M., 6/10/59, at Freedom House, 20 West 40th Street, NYC, before the MATTACHINE SOCIETY. The announcement of the lecture appeared on page 525 of the 6/6/59 issue of "The Nation" magazine.

It was determined that the MATTACHINE SOCIETY is an organization of homosexuals and with this in mind, it was pointed out to [REDACTED] it was not felt an agent should cover the lecture. It was agreed, however, that, if possible, a PSI would be utilized for coverage.

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ASAC Norman H. McCabe has been informed of this matter and is handling.

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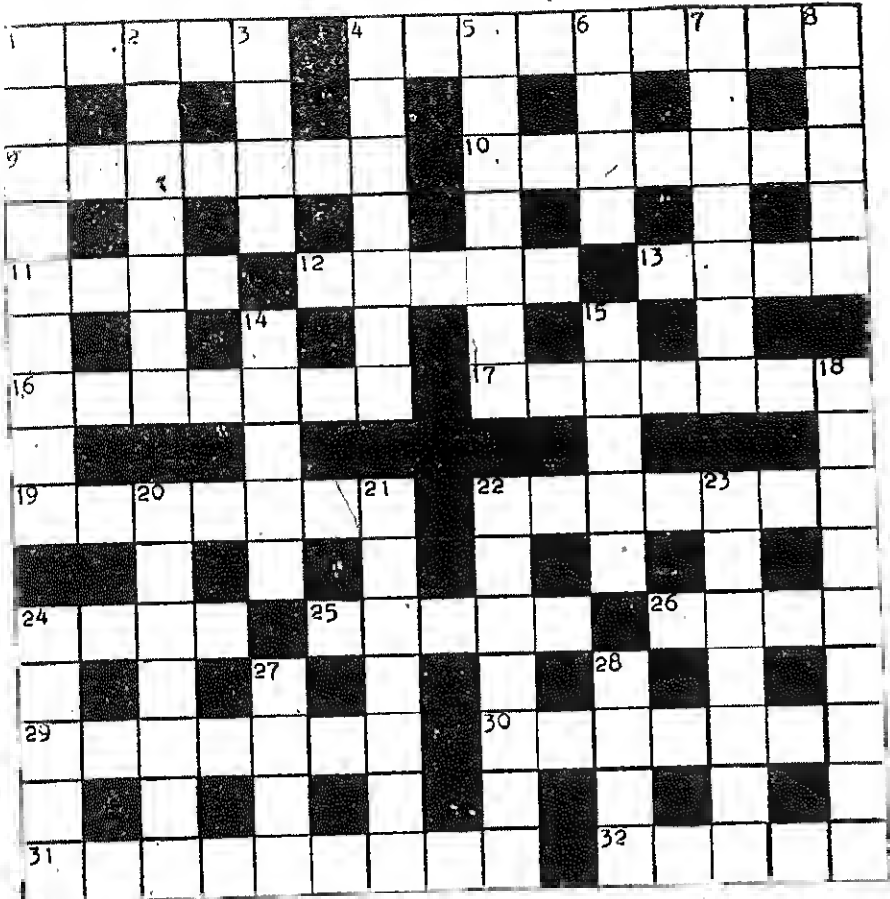
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Crossword Puzzle No. 823

By FRANK W. LEWIS



ACROSS:

- 1 General accord? (5)
- 4 Just the sort of girlies to make such things as the Ring! (9)
- 9 Wells associated with a historical one -- something like a boundary.
- 10 and 11 How to get gnus with blunderbusses? (11)
- 13 How often we see it in the case of Ponce de Leon! (4)
- 16 When not illegal or fattening? (7)
- 17 and 25 Toll -- healthy, too! (5, 2, 1, 4)
- 19 Figures out sounds? (7)
- 22 Concisely, a cheese insect? (7)
- 24 and 12 As a usual thing, a meeting of controlling factors? (9)
- 26 A reasonable facsimile, if the heroine went on to weep! (4)
- 29 Was it stated in 1912? (7)
- 30 Argue against getting in five, but not quite eight. (7)
- 31 and 4 down Twist -- Anglo-Saxon, and knowing! (7, 2, 3, 4)
- 32 Continues to be responsible for the shape of Oxford? (5)

DOWN:

- 1 The best sign of sorrow implies a certain exasperation! (4, 5)
- 2 Black to white, according to the friend of Caesar, J. (7)
- 3 Not a very substantial sort of hint!
- 5 Cyrano dwelt on the various kinds.

- 6 Tryggvesson obviously could make good bread. (4)
- 7 How Edwin is sometimes shortened and recited. (7)
- 8 Standing waiters reputedly do. (5)
- 14 Does only an introspective layer?
- 15 He played at cards with my Cam-paspe. (5)
- 18 Stars? (9)
- 20 Learning towards nursing as a profession? (7)
- 21 Graduates up to the Wife's town in one day. (7)
- 22 It might show how much you owe with something charged in large amount. (7)
- 23 Arise, if at the bottom of the garden! (7)
- 24 Brush feed. (5)
- 27 Places to look for spring to be sprung? (4)
- 28 A good thing to live down? Quite the contrary! (4)

SOLUTION TO PUZZLE NO. 822

ACROSS: 1 Circumscription; 9 Avoided; 10 Gelatin; 11 Galore; 12 Prisoner; 14 Obtainable; 15 Reef; 17 Sack; 19 Trespasses; 22 Epaulets; 23 Hawaii; 25 Elegiac; 26 Aeolian; 27 You never can tell! DOWN: 1 Change of scenery; 2 Rootlet; 3 Underbid; 4 Soda; 5 Regardless; 6 Polish; 7 Intense; 8 Non-professional; 13 Sabretache; 16 Macaron; 18 Chateau; 20 Sea mile; 21 Sluice; 24 Lute.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-132065)

DATE: 6/22/59

FROM : SA [redacted] (421)

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b7DSUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY
MISCELLANEOUS INFO CONCERNING~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of info: Meeting of Mattachine Society, 6/10/59

Date Received: 6/12/59

Received by: SA [redacted] (written)

Original located: [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

1-New York [redacted]
 1-New York (94- [redacted]) (NY POST)
 1-New York (94- [redacted])
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[William Duff]

On 6/10/59 the Mattachine Society held a meeting at Freedom House at 20 West 40th St. in NY City. About seventy five or eighty people attended this affair. Three or four were women. A [redacted] was the main speaker at this affair. His topic was "The Vice Squad." [redacted] is a writer & newspaper man. He was critical of the NYC Police Dept. Vice Squad & the Federal Narcotics bureau. Stating that they engaged in entrapment as far as addicts & homosexuals were concerned. He also said that many foreign people who are picked up on any of these charges, lose all chance of possibility of becoming an American Citizen. And that these charges are not always considered a crime in the countries that they come from. He was also critical of the way in which the courts disposed of these cases. He advocates a much broader viewpoint on this subject & thinks that it should be brought into the open for the public to form their own opinions of this problem. There was a collection taken & approximately sixty dollars was collected as judged by observation. (X)u

A picnic to take place on 6/20/59 was announced. This is to be at Fire Island, & chartered buses will leave from in front of 1133 Bway at 26th St. in NYC. A charge of five dollars is made for each persons fare. The only mention made of the FBI was when [redacted] attempted to be humorous & when talking about police undercover agents, he said that they were easy to spot as the NY City Police & the FBI don't hire anyone under five feet ten inches tall. Therefore, anyone under 5 ft. 10 inc. could not be an undercover agent. (X)u

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The June 6, 1959 issue of "The Nation" magazine announced that [redacted] would lecture on 6/10/59 at the Freedom House, 20 West 40th Street, NYC, before the Mattachine Society on the topic "Vice Squad."

[redacted] advised on 6/11/59 that he had attended the above meeting at which [redacted] was introduced as a writer for the "New York Post" who had written a series of articles in the past on activities of the Vice Squad and who had collaborated in the writing of books with various individuals, one of whom was BILLIE HOLLIDAY, an entertainer.

According to the informant, [redacted] defended the rights of the homosexual and stated his own opinion was that there was no reason for these people to be taken into Court for their activities. He added that sex is a normal thing and the activities of the homosexual are legitimate.

According to the source [redacted] made the following references to the FBI:

3 - Bureau (100-403320) (RM)

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✓ 1. In discussing vice squad arrests he mentioned to the audience that the arresting officers had to prove them. He pointed out difficulty of these arrests and that word of arresting officer is not accepted as compared to the situation where no one questions the FBI in Court when they come in and give their testimony.

✓ 2. [] inferred FBI sits back and does not investigate Narcotics violation since there is not enough newsworthy value in these types cases.

✓ 3. In years past the FBI was interested in the Communist influence in the cooks and waiters union and they "suggested" to local law enforcement group that these people ought to be photographed and fingerprinted in order to build up FBI files. [] added that local law enforcement built up "a sweet racket" in NYC and extended the photographing and fingerprinting to all persons connected with cabaret business in NYC. [] did not believe this to be right and he cited the injustice of the case of BILLIE HOLLIDAY, an entertainer, who because of narcotics activities has been unable to work in NYC for last twelve years.

✓ 4. He stated that there are no special requirements for members of the vice squad and that frequently members are changed on this assignment. He added, however, that undercover agents of the Narcotics Bureau and the FBI are generally over 5' 10" tall because of their minimum height standards.

✓ In general [] referred to articles he had written in the "New York Post" and added that he had worked up a set of rules on how to prevent being arrested, or if arrested what to do, but that the "New York Post" did not desire to print these. It was indicated that [] had intended to give out these rules at the meeting on June 10, 1959, but instead he mentioned that he would give these to the Mattachine Society and they would be read to the members at the next meeting.

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At this point [] stated that an unnamed magazine had also become interested in his writing a series of articles on vice squad activities, but they too lost interest in the articles when he mentioned his rules on how to prevent arrest.

In referring to the "New York Post" [] pointed out the statements made at the meeting were his own and not the opinions of the "New York Post."

[] stated that he believes Vice Squad is corrupt and asked that if those present had stories or incidents of graft on the part of police officers to bring them either to the attention of the Mattachine Society or to him directly since he is still interested in writing good stories on such matters.

The informant stated that attendance numbered about 90 and that a collection was taken up, but amount not announced.

In addition to above informant [] attended the meeting and furnished substantially the same information.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-132065)

DATE 6/19/59 (X)(u)

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY
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Identity of Source:

[REDACTED] who has furnished
insufficient info to determine
reliability (conceal)

Description of info:

Speech of [REDACTED] Sponsored
By Mattachine Society

Date Received:

6/11/59

Received by:

SA [REDACTED] (orally)

Original located:

[REDACTED] (u)

The above information was furnished by the informant
on 6/11/59 and authenticated on 6/11/59.The above pamphlets have been filed as exhibits
in the file concerning the Mattachine Society (NY 100-132065).

A copy of informant's report follows:

1-New York [REDACTED]
 1-New York (94- [REDACTED])
 1-New York (80-467) (NYCPD COOPERATION) (12)
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On 6/10/59 there was a meeting sponsored by the Mattachine Society, Inc., 1133 Broadway, NYC. The meeting was held at Freedom House, 20 West 40th St., NYC. It started about 8:30 PM and ended about 10:00 PM. About 70 people attended, about four of whom were women. (X) (u)

The man who presided stated that he is the Chairman of the New York State group of the Society and that he could be contacted in the society's New York City office, near 26th Street. (X) (u)

A reporter from the New York Post was introduced as the main speaker. His name is [redacted] spoke on the activities of the New York City Police Department Vice Squad. He said he had made some study of the Vice Squad's work and found that their practices were unfair in many cases amounting to persecution of individuals in certain groups. He particularly mentioned waiters, entertainers and employees in night clubs who are required to take out licenses with a sworn statement that they are not homosexuals, lesbians, dope addicts. He stated that this requirement started during the war time and has continued to date. He said that as a result some entertainers and other night club employees have been victimized. [redacted] cited the case of BILLY HOLIDAY as an example noting that she was arrested on charges of being a dope addict and as a result for 12 years could not get jobs in NYC night clubs. (X) (u)

[redacted] stated that the Vice-Squad is more interested in punishing people than in helping them. (X) (u)

During his talk [redacted] mentioned a case involving a check forger who fled from Michigan to Illinois where he was arrested by the FBI and used this as an example of judicial partiality toward the FBI and the police. He explained that the courts always believe the police rather than the person arrested. [redacted] sarcastically remarked that of course the FBI cannot tell a lie. The audience laughed at this remark. (X) (u)

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[] said that there was one case he knew of before Judge CHARLES SOLOMON in which the judge did not believe police officers and sent a four page opinion to the Police Department. (X)(u)

[] stated that his study of homosexuals and dope addicts could not be defended before the public through the newspapers because they are not popular causes. (X)(u)

[] mentioned also that one trouble with persons arrested is that they do not know how to reach to an arrest. He said that he had formulated a set of rules to be followed by persons arrested. He did not explain the rules to the audience. (X)(u)

After [] had finished speaking and answering questions, the Chairman made some closing remarks. He invited everyone to visit the office of the Society explaining that since it is in a large building there is a requirement that after 7:00 PM visitors sign a register of the building. He said that there would be no need to sign one's right name. (X)(u)

Literature of the Society was sold and a collection taken. (X)(u)

The pamphlets available were as follows:

- (1) What Does Mattachine Do?
 - (2) In Case You Didn't Know
 - (3) Mattachine Review, August, 1958 (the Society's monthly publication)
 - (4) Homosexuals and the Law
 - (5) Mattachine Society Today (General Information, Aims and Principles, Brief History, Directory).
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TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 6/11/59

FROM :

SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]

SUBJECT:

MATTACHINE SOCIETY
MEETING ON 6/10/59

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Reference Bureau telephone call, 6/8/59, to effect that 6/6/59 issue of "The Nation" contains an ad which announces that [REDACTED] (and [REDACTED] who is affiliated with the "New York Post"), will address the Mattachine Society at 8:30 PM, 6/10/59, at Freedom House, 20 West 40th Street, NYC, on the topic "The Vice Squad."

I gave the above information to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] NYCPD, and to [REDACTED] NYC Transit Police, on 6/8/59. Both men indicated an interest and the fact their representatives might cover the meeting.

Both expressed their appreciation.

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[REDACTED] NA, 6/11/59
 Dismissed Auth PD, Adv. Corruption in
 that [REDACTED] discussed
 Vice pgs, NYCPD, + Arthur MALL,
 promoters of meeting, discussed the
 purpose of the organization.

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TO : SAC, N.Y.

DATE: 7/1/59

FROM : Superv [redacted]

SUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY

meeting, June 10, 1959.

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The attached reports concerning what transpired at captioned meeting were provided on 7/1/59 by [redacted]

[redacted] NA, NYC Transit Police.

The report signed by [redacted] is written from their recollection while the report starting "Ladies & Gentlemen" is a transcript from a recording. [redacted] explained their recorder was not working too well & the report is not complete.

These reports need not be returned.

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[REDACTED]
Chief - Transit Police Department

SPECIAL REPORT REGARDING JUNE 11TH MEETING OF THE MATTACHINE
SOCIETY AT FREEDOM HALL, 20 WEST 40TH ST. N.Y.C.

At about 8:45 PM [REDACTED] of the N.Y. Area of the Mattachine Society opened the meeting. He greeted the new faces in the audience and indicated that pamphlets describing the operation and works of the society would be given out on request after the meeting. It was noted some of these were for sale at 25 to 50 cents per copy. [REDACTED] then introduced [REDACTED] a N.Y. Post reporter. [REDACTED] began his lecture by describing a series of articles on narcotics which he worked on several years ago. He stated in this manner he became acquainted with police procedures on Federal, State and City levels. He discussed the term "morals" and how this term was over-played by the Prsss. He has tried to get his colleagues to stop this malpractice. [REDACTED] described his recent articles in the Post regarding morals and how he tried to have his "rules for avoiding arrest" printed. However, this was refused by the Post and he finally succeeded in having them printed by an unnamed magazine. He did not elaborate on this topic. He described the operation of the "Morals Squad" from amount and type of men to their details. Discussing the turnover of men in this squad, he termed this a political move to cover up failures. He spoke of entrapment in morals cases and stated he was approached by several lawyers from the Bar Association regarding entrapment in narcotics cases. He discussed this practice with them regarding morals cases and they advised they would bring the matter up before the association. He discussed the procedure in the Division of Licenses and how a dictatorship existed regarding permits for musicians,

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and waiters in cabarets. He cited the case of Billy Holliday who couldn't appear in a N.Y. niteclub for the past 12 years because of a narcotics charge. He also gave a brief history of how the licensing of waiters came about. The Federal Government was investigating a communist affiliation with the waiters and cooks union during the war. The government wanted mug shots and fingerprints taken on every waiter and cook. However, they had trouble doing this because of the war. The government pressured the Police Dept. into carrying out this assignment and at first a small fee of \$2.00 was charged. However, as time passed and the Police Dept. noted it had a "good thing" going it raised the fee yearly to the present level. After the war it included musicians and entertainers.

[] discussed the court at 100 Centre St. and seemed to favor Judge Solomon for his good judgement in morals cases. He described how the judge wrote an appeal in one morals case. [] distributed copies of this appeal to the press and various judges. He then described how some cases are fixed for the right judge. He stated the whole case depends on whether the judge's "piles bother him". [] described one judge as a drunkard who couldn't drive his car to court yet judges cases. The court is always jammed when this judge is sitting. He said 100 Centre St. is the Democratic Stronghold.

In describing the operation of the Morals Squad, [] stated their wording of charges are died in the wool. The arresting officer did not have to appear if he had a day off. His partner would appear for him. One man he termed an anchor man and the other a leg man. These men look for the cheap arrest and avoid places that charge a \$3.50 minimum. He also discussed "protected havens" and how arrests are made on the fringe areas. People coming out of these places are marked and often arrested on a disorderly conduct charge. As long as a 200 arrest quota is maintained for the quarter these men feel secure.

[] discussed the arrest of foreigners and how a minor charge can prevent them from becoming citizens. He described one case which he had witnessed. A former Hungarian "Freedom Fighter" arrested in the Grand Central men's room had to use an interpreter in court. The judge felt sorry for him and had him briefed outside the court room. When he returned the man became excited under questioning and stated thru his interpreter that he thought the most friendly place he had found in America was the men's room at Grand Central. As this statement was in the minutes the judge had to sentence the man and he lost his chance for citizenship.

[] told the audience they would be given better treatment in court if they gave their occupation as a student. He said they never ask for proof of occupation. He advised them not to fear a man 5' 4" walking a dog as F.B.I men are 5' 10" and police 5' 8".

At this time [] ended his lecturo and asked for questions. Following are some of the questions asked by members;

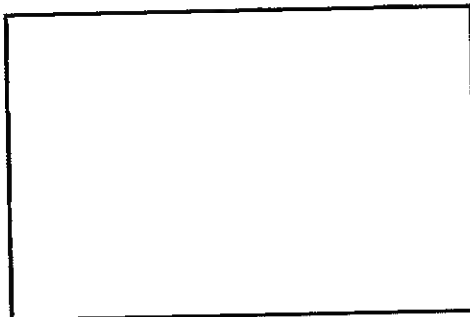
- A) What type (description) of officers make up the Morals Squad?
- B) There is such a large turnover from time to time that any type may be assigned.
- A) (From obvious Lesbian) Why were the "Gay Bars" for girls closed last year?

B) [] seemed to avoid giving a definat answer to this question) He stated he was thinking of writing an article on this, but was afraid he would run into trouble as E.Murrow did on his V-Girl show.

- A) Where there any complications due to your articles on Morals?
- B) No, although visited by two men from [] office they seemed nice and even wanted to cooperate regarding pppression by police officers. However, they cleverly avoided the main issue. All mail received was favorable and several messages of congradulations received from the Civil Liberties Union.

[redacted] closed the meeting by congratulating [redacted] on his lecture and advising new members they could join the society by reporting to the office at 1133 Broadway tomorrow night at 8:30 PM (June 11). He told the audience they would be required to sign a book when entering the building. However, as this was only a formality they would not have to sign their right names. He reminded the audience of the annual outing to Fire Island on June 20. The cost will be \$4.50 for regular member and \$5.00 for non-members.

At this time a collection was taken by passing a box thru the audience. The average donation noted was \$1.00. The meeting closed at about 9:50 PM. About 75 people attended this meeting.



Ladies and Gentlemen:

May I have your attention? I think most of you know who I am by this time, but possibly for the newcomers, I am [redacted] of the New York Area Chapter, of the Mattachine Society. Can everyone hear me in the back? First of all, _____

Tonight, it is a very great privilege to have as our speaker [redacted] who is a writer for the New York Post ----- for a series of articles on the N.Y. Vice Squad. He has worked in collaboration with ----- and with Billie Halliday in writing ----- and we are very privileged in having him tonight. I will turn over the meeting to him and he will speak to you on the New York Vice Squad.

[redacted] One thing I want to say at first, that I am not a speaker, I am a writer.

[redacted] Another thing, I discovered how distorted the area I got by ear (tape cuts out at this point). It is often said that reporters and newspapers have contact with reality because ---- actually, it is unusual that often you find that a reporter is constantly among contacts with reality and what ----- consider reality and so on. I branded it fanatically with the narcotics charge and then during work with us we eventually had to forthwith study specialized areas of this operation of narcotics and areas in which the Vice Squad operates such as gambling and what we call prostitution and so on . This is an area which seldom breaks in the papers and when it does its the peculiar word which started out with the peculiar headline "morals charge". It think it's an ironic commentary on the times that almost any book ----- fewer and fewer than anything else. The word "morals" never gets into a headline unless somebody is picked up in a small matter involving some sexoffense and so on. I talked this out with my colleagues and I instituted a one-man campaign to get that word withdrawn.----- the only chance I had to write about it was when I was promised the unusual feature which began with the word "morals charge" headline and I started to make the point that actually this word is the same as an army weapon which reads an entire story about this incident without getting the slightest notice anywhere of the raw technical offense as morals

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charge. If you agree with various public opinion indicates depending upon any -----
offhand ----- with everybody you know that morals charge means this ----- I trust it
will be sometime before we get past the particular problem -----
----- in other areas of narcotics -----

Also, I want to emphasize that all the information I have on the New York City
Police Department is a year old, but I have confidence it hasn't changed -----
The one advantage I discovered imperatively having done this research study -----
of other Police Departments is that nobody questions the fact that the Vice Squads
are corrupt. I think that is the advantage I ever seen suggested for in a case like
this by contrast generally with other cases (blank lines follow -----)

This never happens in the Vice Squad because it would be sure to shaking
the entire precinct
One of the things that I attempted to do when I was preparing my articles. I received
a pamphlet from the Civil Liberties Society which went into one detail on what to do
after you are arrested. I attempted to go further and interview a lot of people.
I attempted to a set of rules on arrest

Subsequently, another magazine asked me to do a similar piece. I started out
about getting arrested -----

If you see a man under 5'8" walking a dog -----
I always ask him if he works for a profit making organization, and this I think goes
to the core of everything I discovered about police operations which is dealing in
expense accounts we are dealing in expense accounts business. Police Department
who are faced basically with a budgetary problem. The Police Department really is
telling you, we know what the Vice Squad is doing and furthermore we know it's a place
where corruption arises, yet the public is not aware of the not incompleted problem.
Something else, therefore if there should be another Leopold and Loeb case possibly
this year, perhaps not, the Police Department personally is protected by a certain
number of arrests preferably under 1000 varying not more than 100 or 200 up or down.
Now that seems a rather cynical analysis but I assure you from the inside that it is
basic. Now with that as a point number one.

Point number two: the Police Department cannot and will not want to spend any more money than is necessary

What makes the whole thing more scandalous
Basically, this means for three and a half dollars, or seven dollars for two partners to get into a place, possibly for one arrest
Bars and places where for 25-cents they can get a beer
I asked him if there was a possibility of examination before the bar of the operations of the Vice Squad the area and extents of police powers in interrelated areas I happen to be extremely interested in the whole operations of the Police Licensing Bureau, cabaret licensee

Very recently there was a suit brought by a lawyer in New York. A couple of musicians that are banned here sue to have the whole position of police powers relative to gambling. I had always had a theory that this particular area of police powers came about during the prohibition period usual booze trade However, I found out from this lawyer that this actually began in an entirely different way. During the war, the Department of Justice was extremely interested in getting fingerprints and mug shots of cooks and waiters in New York because of particular local unions which they thought were dominated by the commies. In war time, they had no pretext for getting fingerprints and mug shots of cooks and waiters. There was no way they could scan war powers to cover that, so the Department of Justice came up with a licensing gimmick and they persuaded the Police Department to do the job requiring cooks and waiters to have their fingerprints and mug shots taken by the Police Department..... That's the way it began. Then, after about two years of operations, the Police Department was operating an expensive business off the cuff They decided to charge \$2.00 for the license, then, in addition, \$2.00 extra each year. Then, after the war, when nobody was looking, they extended it, to cover performers Then, eventually covered not only performers, it covered everybody who had any kind of job at all, and then it was extended specifically by law to say that nobody who had ever been arrested for any crime at all could get a cabaret license or permit from the Police Department.

Then they added also that no homosexuals or lesbians could get a cabaret license. This is the kind of police powers you find in areas wherever nobody cares. In narcotic cases, often, nobody cares. So far as "morals" charges nobody is around who cares what they mean by "morals". (Question asked from the floor: not audible)

[] (in reply to question): I think it is to Kennedy's credit that he did send around a couple of intelligent guys and they did seem concerned with some of the areas I dealt with I got a surprisingly high number of letters saying "that's exactly the way it happened to me".

(Another question from the floor: inaudible)

[] Actually, a terrible thing happened. I neglected to and I can't find them. They were rather elaborate (about 10 or 12 points) mainly involving staying out of places that are considered "fringe areas", physical standards of the police department are unvaried. The FBI has standards of \$10. The Police Department has the same.

..... That's one of the girl's jokes - "walking the dog"

[] (from the floor): One of the girls has a question, []

[] Every year they close the "gay bars". About two months ago they closed all of them (rest of question not audible).

[] This is an area which I didn't go into in my story. I was very concerned that there were areas in which I didn't do work which I could have done some work, and I was very concerned that what happened after the Murrow broadcast could have happened to me, and I was terribly worried. I don't know whether that happened or not. Then, of course, much information which we could have done, we neglected, but I decided I didn't want to go into this.

Question from audience - inaudible.

[] The table of organization is now called Special Squads, such as the Morals Squad - is completely changeable in various bureaus..... operates at three levels of operations squad operating out of a precinct are also operating out of detective squads. Round numbers again applying. I think it ranges from 600 to Another question from audience - inaudible.

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[] They have to be able to pose with a tee-shirt, or a beard; then you get another interesting thing. His clothes. The cops will lag in clothes. You know, disguises the Vice Squad uses are out eleven years. The other thing that makes it particularly interesting is the ridiculous turn-over. In other words, the whole Vice Squad can be thrown back into uniform without given warning, or when the Division goes out back into uniform. Uniform men are brought into plainclothes, operating over generalized..... actually, they rotated the parades in front of the Magistrate's Court.

Question from floor (inaudible)

[] One of the stories I told was about the British newspaper man who was over here making a study of our courts and he got an American lawyer to take him to Gamblers' Court. That's the Court and one of the lawyers because they go by clothes, and his hair was longer than mine; he hadn't had a haircut, and it was stereotype humor.

Question: inaudible

[] The form at the present time to apply for a cabaret license from the Police Department bureau states: have you ever been arrested? If so, It's all done by a beurocrat. Outside of these two areas, and area, there is nothing really I can tell you except that I was visited by two lawyers of the Bar Association and they were studying the whole area of entrapment

Question: inaudible

[] What happens is, in a practical matter, these guys operate together. One guy is the anchor man, and one guy is the leg man. And when they come into the office, one of these guys has to type out the complaint. The complaint is standardized In many cases, when the case comes up, the guy who phrased that has a day off and the other guy appears in court. This is a standardized

Question: inaudible

[] Judge Solomon, Judge Louis Solomon, had a case involving a guy who was picked up in a place, a place I call a "haven". I don't know what else I could call it. The reflection is that it is such a place as a bar, or some other situation

Judge Solomon got so sors he wrote a page report on this, and I had this mimeographed and sent it to everyone in town who I knew One particular judge is known as a great lush unable to drive adjudicate..... You always know when it's his day. That's when the court is filled. Everybody tries to get in that week..... no way to get clean..... in other words a fine, or a few days in jail.

Question: inaudible

[] The whole area related to foreigners is a very serious matter for a foreigner to get into any kind of trouble. I remember one case of the Hungarian freedom fighter and so the judge very sympathetically called his lawyer up and they adjusted stories. They took him out in the hallway, coached him on what to say. Then they brought this man in and put him on the stand, after all this rehearsing. It was actually pitiful. He stood up there the interpreter This man exploded and said he wasn't doing anything, and so on and so forth. He said he had only been in New York four months and he thought the "john" ~~was~~ at Grand Central was the friendliest place he had found in New York. Then of course, the judge held his hands to his head and it was in the record, and there was nothing he could do. The man was convicted.

(End of [] talk)

[] Thank you very much, [] Now I have the unpleasant duty of giving you the old pitch about finances. It is impossible as all of you know, the Mattachine Society is a voluntary organization, and is supported chiefly by voluntary contributions..... Secondly, we have a system whereby former members contribute a great sum at intervals. Thirdly, by making a collection at our meetings. All of the money you give goes toward the work of the Mattachine Society. As we continue, this phase of the meeting, let me repeat the announcements: Tomorrow night at our office, 1133 Broadway, we will have our monthly business meeting. That's tomorrow night at 8:30 -room 304 at 1133 Broadway. However, all of you who are interested can attend our meeting. Each year, for the past two years, the Mattachine Society has had an outing at Fire Island. This year, the outing will take place on June 20th. Transportation will be by private buses and will leave from in front of our office

at Broadway,..... At Cherry Grove, Fire Island. Fees for regular members
will be \$4.50 and for non-members, \$5.00. (End of meeting).

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DIRECTOR, FBI (63-4296)

8/8/61

SAC, WFO (100-33796)

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On 8/1/61, Deputy Chief ROY E. Birk
Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., advised
SA [redacted] of WFO that an anonymous person had
advised that the Mattachine Society has scheduled a meeting
at 8:00 p.m. on 8/1/61 in Room 120 Hay-Adams Hotel,
Washington, D. C., which was reserved by a [redacted]

[redacted] advised that it was his understanding that several psychiatrists
and doctors had been invited to the meeting to explain why
[redacted] defected since they were considered
undesirables in the United States.

On 8/1/61, [redacted] of the
Manger-Hay-Adams Hotel, Washington, D. C., advised SA [redacted]
[redacted] that about a week previously a telephone
reservation had been made by the Mattachine Society for
Room 120 of the Manger-Hay-Adams Hotel to hold a meeting
at 8:00 p.m. on 8/1/61. The person calling furnished the
name [redacted] and gave his address and telephone number as
[redacted]. The reservation had
been accepted by [redacted].

On 8/2/61, [redacted] advised that a
group had attended a meeting in Room 120 on the previous
evening at about 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. He stated the door was
left open, that he passed by the meeting on several occasions
and observed about 16 well dressed men in discussion. He
heard mentioned the words "bylaws" and "resolutions" and stated
that they were a very well behaved group. The only order
was for 16 coffees and the bill was signed [redacted]

One copy of instant letter is furnished to NY
for information since reservation was made by person in
NYC.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION AT WHITE HOUSE
BY HOMOSEXUALS IN OCTOBER, 1963 (X)u

On September 3, 1963, a source of information advised that he has recently received information that approximately 100 members of the New York City Mattachine Society, which will be joined by members of the Washington, D. C. Chapter of the Mattachine Society plan to picket the White House on October 25, 1963. (X)u

The source stated the purpose of the demonstration is to protest the United States Government's discrimination against homosexuals in federal employment. (X)u

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO [redacted] (X)u

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Re WFO airtel to Bureau 8/21/63.

Enclosed for Bureau are the original and three copies and for the New York Office two copies of a letter-head memorandum concerning contact with captioned informant regarding a proposed demonstration at the White House by homosexuals on 10/25/63. (X)u

The New York Office attempt to verify information furnished by informant.

WFO will maintain contact with informant as well as other established sources in an effort to verify this information.

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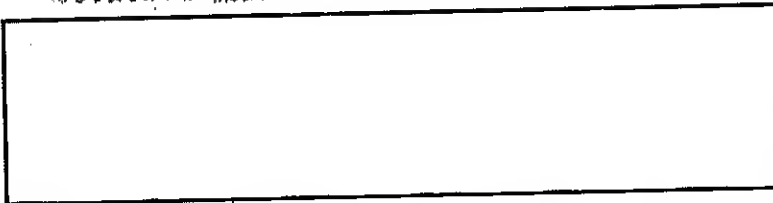
PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION AT WHITE HOUSE
BY INDIVIDUALS IN OCTOBER, 1963

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Re WFO airtel to Bu, 7/5/63, captioned
[redacted] with attached LHM captioned as instant
case. (u) (4)

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and
seven copies of a LHM concerning contact with
confidential sources in the NY area, regarding proposed
demonstration at the White House, 10/25/63. (u) (4)

Also enclosed are two copies of same
LHM for WFO. Confidential sources referred to in
attached LHM are as follows:



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Inasmuch as all information NYC negative concerning
this matter, no further investigation being conducted at
this time and NY case being closed administratively.
In the event any information should come to the attention
of the NYC, it will be furnished immediately.

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New York, New York
October 22, 1963

[Proposed Demonstration At White House
By Homosexuals in October, 1963] (S)(u)

Confidential sources familiar with certain phases of homosexual activities within the Greater New York City area were contacted during September and October, 1963, and advised they had no information concerning captioned matter.

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HOMOSEXUAL GROUP ASKS UNDERSTANDING

The public relations director of the Homosexual League of New York called yesterday for public acceptance of homosexuals as a legitimate minority group.

The director, Randolfe Wicker, addressed a group of 350 students at City College. His appearance was sponsored by the college's WBAI club, an organization supporting the WBAI-FM listener-financed radio station.

"We are only interested in educating the public, not in converting anyone to homosexuality," Mr. Wicker said, referring to the Mattachine Society, which recently absorbed the Homosexual League.

The society, he said, is a legally incorporated organization that includes six psychologists and psychiatrists among its members. It sponsors lectures on homosexuality, aids in research projects and provides employment, psychological and legal referral services.

Acceptance of the homosexual is a "question of education," he said. "Attitudes are changing, and, with organizations such as ours, the issue can be approached legitimately."

Mr. Wicker compared his organization's recruiting problems to those of organizations representing minority racial groups.

"Most homosexuals live fearful, ghettoized lives," he said. "The homosexual's biggest problem is the lack of adequate communication with others."

According to Mr. Wicker, mattachine is an Italian word used to refer to "court jesters of the Middle Ages who always told the truth despite great opposition."

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Informant was instructed to obtain all information he could about the above Society, and especially about the proposed march to Washington.

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According to the informant, the idea of the society members marching to Washington never got out of the idea stage, and was merely brought up at a meeting by one of the members because of the publicity being given to the Negro march on Washington at that time.

Informant stated that he believed he could obtain some literature of the society and possibly a list of names of the members.

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Informant made available a copy of the Mattachine Review, a monthly publication of the above society, for October, 1963.

Informant continues to keep in touch with friends he has who belong to above society and is alert for any information concerning them which would be of interest to the Bureau.

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Above captioned informant who is acquainted with several members of above society furnished the enclosed 19 copies of the Mattachine Review magazine and 13 copies of the New York Mattachine Newsletter for whatever use they may be to the Bureau.

It is suggested that the substantive case desk review the attached and destroy those not put into 1A exhibits.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-132065)

DATE: 3/9/64

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MATTACHINE SOCIETY
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Rememo SA [REDACTED] dated 3/2/64.

Rememo pertained to following publications as furnished
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13 Copies of "The Mattachine Newsletter" as follows:

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EAST COAST HOMOPHILE ORGANIZATIONS

HOW TO HANDLE A FEDERAL INTERROGATION

The discriminatory policies of the Federal Government in disqualifying the homosexual citizen from Federal employment, from eligibility for a security clearance, and from service in and fully honorable discharge from the Armed Forces, are not only not justified, but are gravely injurious to the national interest. It is, therefore, the patriotic duty of every American citizen to do everything lawfully within his power to impede and to obstruct the implementation of these policies, and to encourage others to do likewise. Central to that implementation is the conduct of investigations involving the administration of interrogations. To those finding themselves subjected to such interrogations, the following pointers and suggestions are offered.

1. No citizen is required to submit to an interrogation by any Federal official — F.B.I., Civil Service Commission, military investigators, etc. — or even to speak to them. However, in certain instances (for example, where you yourself, rather than an acquaintance are the subject of the investigation) it may be advisable to grant to the Government the privilege of interviewing you.

2. In case of such interrogation, your choice is NOT between telling truth or untruth, but between speaking and not speaking. Never lie, falsify, or misrepresent. On matters relating to homosexuality — yours or anyone else's — just refuse to speak.

3. If you are asked any questions at all on homosexuality, in any aspect, your ONLY answers should be: "These are matters which are of no proper concern to the Government of the United States under any circumstances whatever." and "This is information which the Government does not have the need to know." Stand your ground on these. Do not engage in philosophical or psychological or sociological discourse. Do not make use of the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution; it is not necessary, and may be harmful.

4. Sign no statements; take no lie detector tests; give no names or other information about any other person.

5. Under no circumstances tolerate unannounced visitations by investigators at your home or your place of employment. Refuse to speak to them; insist upon a proper appointment, at a time and place of YOUR choice and convenience. INSIST upon the right to be accompanied by one or more persons of your choice (without restriction to professional legal counsel) to act not only as counsel, but as witness.

6. The interrogators will try to cajole, to persuade, to bully, to demand, to threaten, to bargain. Do not be taken in. Regardless of what they may say and how they may act, they are "out to get you". Among a few of their favorite techniques are:

a. "You are not cooperating". Of course you are not. Continue not to.

b. "All of this is not really very important, and nothing will happen to you; we just need a few questions answered and your signature, so we can complete our records and close our files." Don't believe it.

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c. "The laws or regulations require you to reply." This is not true, regardless of what may be quoted to you or even shown to you in print.

d. The "good guy and bad guy" approach. After interrogator A has unpleasantly browbeaten you for a while, interrogator B will intercede, supposedly as your friend, to try to make things easier for you, and to modify interrogator A's attitude. Do not be taken in. They are both your enemies.

7. This is stated with very strong over-emphasis, because extensive experience has shown that without it, this advice, as simple as it is, is not properly heeded: On matters having in any way to do with homosexuality, say NOTHING; "nothing" means NO thing; and "no" means NONE AT ALL, with NO exceptions. It does NOT mean "just a little". This means that you do NOT discuss juvenile homosexual experiences, and you do NOT discuss so-called passive acts, or anything else at all. You say NOTHING whatever. Do not attempt to exercise your judgement as to what may or may not be harmful to discuss. Close the door firmly and absolutely to discussion or comment upon ANY and EVERY aspect of homosexuality and, in fact, of sex generally.

8. Do not confirm information which they allegedly have. They may not have what they have led you to believe they have, and they may be only guessing or deducing. Even if there is no doubt as to their possession of information, you will be better off if there has been no confirmation or corroboration from you.

9. Insist that you be treated with the full respect and dignity due ALL American citizens in every status, by ALL their public servants, at ALL levels, at ALL times. If you are not so treated, walk out and do not return until you have received, in writing, as apology for past improper treatment, and assurances of future proper behavior. If you receive no such apology, object, by letter, to the appropriate Cabinet-level official, with details of the behavior and language involved, and inform your local Mattachine Society or other homophile organization.

Remember that the information involved in investigations is classified, as far as the Government is concerned. If anyone — particularly including your employer — is informed by anyone but you, of the subject or any details of an investigation of you, you can bring criminal charges against the investigators or other officials who have disclosed the information. Do so. At the same time, do not allow yourself to be misled into believing that you are not permitted to discuss any and all aspects of the matter with anyone you choose. You may seek counsel and advice from anyone, and are completely free to discuss all aspects of the matter with persons of your own choice, at all times.

11. Do not resign and do not allow yourself to be stampeded into a resignation; you must be given a reasonable amount of time to make a decision. Contest, first administratively, and then in the courts, as high as need be, all firings, loss-then-fully-honorable discharges, and security clearance denials based upon homosexuality. To the fullest extent possible, challenge not the mere allegations of fact, but the policies, laws, and regulations involved.

By following the advice above, you will be serving not only your own best interests and those of your acquaintances and fellow citizens, but the best interests of your country.

The organizations listed below will be pleased to offer coaching, advice, and encouragement to those good citizens who wish lawfully to impede their government's ill-advised efforts to disqualify homosexuals, reducing them, thereby, to second-class citizenship, to the loss of all concerned except the enemies of our country.

The Mattachine Society of
Washington
P. O. Box 1032
Washington, D. C. 20013

EMerson 2-2211

The Mattachine Society, Inc.
of New York
1133 Broadway - Room 516
New York City, N. Y.

Watkins 4-7743

The Janus Society
Room 229
34 South 17th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

LO 3-9414

Daughters of Bilitis
New York Chapter
441 West 28th Street
New York City, N. Y.

565 - 8865

For information, contact these organizations. In emergency, use the telephone numbers given.

IF YOU ARE ARRESTED

An arrest is a serious matter. In an attempt to lessen the often disastrous consequences of an arrest, the following information, suggestions, and pointers are offered.

Whether explicitly stated below or not, this material refers specifically to the District of Columbia. While most of it is valid elsewhere, local laws do vary considerably, and therefore, authority competent to discuss the legal situation in each locality should be consulted.

A. Some of your rights under the law.

1(a) In the District of Columbia, in regard to private acts on the part of consenting adults, only certain acts of sodomy (on the part of both participants), narrowly and clearly defined in the District Code, are illegal. All other homosexual acts are permitted.

(b) Any act, public or private, which would be legal under the circumstances performed, on the part of a man and a woman, is legal on the part of two men or two women. This includes kissing and dancing. It should be kept in mind, however, as a matter of practical reality, that Disorderly Conduct is a loose and unfortunately ill-defined category, which both policemen and judges may well interpret more broadly and harshly for the homosexual than for the heterosexual.

2. Except under the most clearly suspicious of circumstances, you do not have to identify yourself to a policeman in any public street or park, or in any other public place or business establishment (such as a restaurant) at any hour of the day or night, or to account for your presence there. That you chose to be there is full and sufficient reason, whether the hour be 3 AM or 3 PM.

3. A policeman arresting you must inform you, upon your request, of the charge under which you are being arrested. Insist that you be so informed, promptly.

4. A policeman may not enter a home or a hotel room without a warrant. Do not allow him to cross the threshold.

B. If you are arrested

1. You have the right to make a telephone call to any person of your choice AS SOON AS YOU ENTER THE POLICE STATION. This is a right; it is not merely a privilege to be granted at the will and convenience of the Police. The Police are traditionally reluctant to allow the exercise of this right. Insist upon it.

2(a). You are required — if the Police request it — to allow your fingerprints and photograph to be taken.

(b) You are NOT required to give ANY other information. You do not even have to give your name and address, although it is usually advisable to do so. Say NOTHING more.

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2(c). Do NOT discuss ANY of the circumstances of the arrest or the events preceding it. Do not allow yourself to be drawn into philosophical discussions of homosexuality, sociology, etc., and do not discuss your own personal life and background in any way at all.

3. DO NOT TELL WHERE YOU ARE EMPLOYED.

The Police have the right to ask any questions they wish; you have the complete right to refuse to reply. They may be intimidatingly firm and insistent. Make your refusal equally firm and insistent.

Experience has shown that the worst tragedies occur, frequently, not on account of arrests themselves, but through unnecessary disclosure of information including, most importantly, place of employment.

4. Make no statements. Sign no statements.

5. Plead NOT guilty, and follow through. While a plea of Guilty may seem much more convenient and desirable at the time, this is a short-sighted view. From the long range viewpoint, a plea of Not Guilty is unlikely to result in more severe treatment, and may well diminish the lasting undesirable consequences of the arrest.

6. Do not forfeit collateral; elect to stand trial on a plea of Not Guilty. In the District of Columbia, forfeiture of collateral is essentially equivalent to a plea of guilty, with all the undesirable consequences that go with it.

7. Get a lawyer at the earliest possible moment; be fully truthful with him; follow his advice implicitly.

8. Even as an arrested citizen, you are still a citizen. Behave with dignity, and insist that the Police treat you, at ALL times, with the respect and dignity due ALL citizens by ALL public officials. If any ridicule, gibes, insults, taunts, jeers, or other improper behavior or language is directed against you, object at the time; object again later, by letter, to the Chief of Police, and inform your local Mattachine Society or other homophile organization.

For information, contact the following. In emergency, use the telephone numbers given.

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THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS CONCERNS

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

I. It is the purpose of this committee to approach the clergy, the leaders, and the laity of all religious groups in the metropolitan area of Washington, D. C., in order:

A. To effect the integration of the individual homosexual into the religious life of the community:

1. By discussing with clergymen, religious leaders, and laity, singly and in groups, a clarification of the place and the role of the homosexual, as such, in the various religious congregations, leading to elimination of the rejection encountered by most homosexuals in most religious bodies.
2. By establishing a referral service composed of knowledgeable clergymen, so that homosexuals, their parents, and their families, who desire assistance in regard to spiritual and religious problems involving homosexuality may be referred to an appropriate counselor.
3. By acting as liaison, as may be needed, between the religious community and the homosexual community of the greater Washington area.

B. To enlist the moral support and the active assistance of religious groups in metropolitan Washington, in the homosexuals' struggle for civil liberties and for human and social rights, acting with the assurance that religion seeks to promote basic freedoms for every individual, as irrespective of sexual orientation as of religion and race.

C. To inform the clergy, the leaders, and the laity of all religious groups about homosexuals and homosexuality:

1. By aiding religious groups and religious leaders in the obtaining of accurate information (traditionally difficult to secure) about homosexuals and homosexuality, and suggesting informative publications and recommending or furnishing qualified lecturers on the subject of homosexuality.
2. By encouraging inter-religious discussion of homosexuality, and providing clergymen and religious leaders who believe that society should no longer ignore a social problem of vast dimensions, with legitimate opportunities for inter-group exchanges of opinion.

II. It is not a purpose of this committee to promulgate any spiritual or theological doctrines, but instead to ask each religious body constructively to approach, in its own way, the social, spiritual, and religious problems which arise as a result of present discriminatory attitudes toward homosexuals and homosexuality.

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The Mattachine Society, Inc.;
The Mattachine Society of Washington, D. C.;
The Mattachine Society, Inc. of New York;
The Janus Society of Philadelphia;
The Daughters of Bilitis of New York;
East Coast Homophile Organizations
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Attached for the Bureau are five copies each of printed matter concerning the above-captioned organizations designated in the literature as East Coast Homophile Organizations. This material contains instructions on the following topics:

"How to Handle Federal Interrogations, 'If You Are Arrested'", along with a statement of purpose of the Mattachine Society of Washington Committee On Religious Concerns. The Bureau may desire to disseminate this material to Secret Service and/or other official agencies.

Copies of instant communication with attached material furnished to New York and Philadelphia Offices for information in view of the location of affiliated organizations of the Mattachine Society in those areas.

[redacted] Office of Emergency Planning, Executive Office of the President, made available the attached material to SA [redacted] on 10/28/64.

[redacted] stated the attached material had been obtained by an undercover investigator of one of the Armed Forces acting under the instructions of his superiors. It was indicated the material had been obtained during a recent meeting of homosexuals in the Washington, D. C. area and that copies of

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the material had been distributed to everyone present at the meeting.

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Last Coast Homophile Organization
Planned Demonstration in front
of White House
October 23, 1965

On October 5, 1965, [redacted]
New York City Police Department, Bureau of Special Services,
contacted the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation (FBI) and advised [redacted]
[redacted] the following:

On Saturday, October 23, 1965, there will be a
demonstration by the Last Coast Homophile Organization. [redacted]
[redacted] described this organization as a group of
homosexuals whose headquarters are located at 1143
Broadway, New York City. The demonstration will take
place in front of the White House, Washington, DC.

Also participating will be the Mattachine
Societies of New York, Washington and Philadelphia, the
Mattachine Midwest and Janus Society of Philadelphia.

[redacted] described the Mattachine and
Janus Societies as organized groups of homosexuals.

The time of the demonstration will be between
2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., in front of the White
House on October 23, 1965.

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The purpose of the organization shall be to
assist the Federal Government to carry out its
discriminatory policies regarding employment of non-whites.
There is a direct tie between the sale and the
discrimination.

Quota from New York City area will amount to 100
111 Broadway, New York City at 11:00 A.M. on October 22,
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (62-132065) - C-

SUBJECT: EAST COAST HOMOPHILE ORGANIZATION
PLANNED DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT
OF WHITE HOUSE
10/23/65
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight
copies of an LHM concerning proposed demonstration
by East Coast Homophile Organization in front of the White
House on 10/23/65. Local Secret Service was telephonically
advised on 10/7/65.

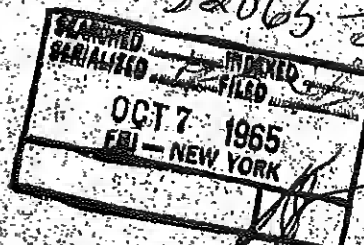
*a copy of the LHM has been
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THE CHURCH AND THE HOMOSEXUAL

A Continuing Dialogue

A panel discussion between clergymen of various denominations and members of the homosexual community.

October 27, 1965, 8:30 p.m. Admission free
Broadway Congregational Church, B'way at 56th St., N.Y.C.

Sponsored by the Mattachine Society Inc. of New York
1133 Broadway, N.Y.C. Phone 4-7743

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Play on Lesbians Due on Broadway

R. V. Leitch, president of the Mattachine Society, an organization dedicated to helping homosexuals through public education and law reform, will turn Broadway producer next season with "Do Not Leave Me Last." The Madolin Cervantes play is about two lesbians and the effect of their relationship on their family and friends.

Leitch says it is not a propaganda play but a study of the lack of understanding that comes with fear of the unknown. The play will attempt to shed light on a misunderstood subject. Mrs. Cervantes has authored and directed plays off-Broadway and in community theaters out West.

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Policemen Forbidden to Entrap Homosexuals to Make Arrests

By ERIC RACE

Policemen have been instructed not to lure homosexuals into breaking the law and to "make every effort" to find witnesses whenever an arrest occurs involving homosexual advances to a plainclothesman.

The orders were issued by Police Commissioner Howard R. Leary.

The New York Civil Liberties Union has charged that plainclothesmen have enticed homosexuals into making illegal overtures.

The union has contended that the practice, known as entrapment, has been used for arrests under a section of the State Penal Code that makes it an offense punishable by up to six months in prison if any person frequents or loiters about any public place soliciting men for the purpose of committing a crime against nature or other lewdness.

Police sources said plainclothesmen had also been "strongly discouraged" by their superiors from making such arrests without a witness to support their word that they had been the target of homosexual advances. An example of such a witness would be a customer at a bar who had observed illegal behavior on the part of the homosexual.

Dick Leisch, president of the Mattachine Society, Inc. of New York, an organization that helps homosexuals, hailed the new policy.

"This would make it a lot harder for the police to arrest homosexuals," he said. "It's the best thing that ever happened."

"Most homosexuals like the Mayor and Mr. Leary—they're tremendous men," he continued, adding:

"We were taken aback when the big cleanup started in Greenwich Village and Times Square, but since then they've shown good faith. If things keep on this way, we'll vote 100 percent for Lindsay next time."

A spokesman for the Civil Liberties Union said:

"This is an extremely important victory, but I hope that the police do not revert to the practice of entrapment after the public interest in the subject dies down."

On another police issue, he said the Civil Liberties Union would file a court brief supporting the Lindsay administration against a petition by the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association.

The P.B.A. has asked the State Supreme Court to forbid the city from revamping the police review board by adding four civilians to the present three deputy commissioners.

A court hearing on the petition was postponed yesterday until May 19 at the city's request. Officials of the Corporation Counsel's office said they needed more time to prepare their arguments.

Meanwhile a special panel met to consider candidates for the four slots that Mayor Lindsay plans to add to the existing three-man departmental review board.

Romney to Fill Senate Seat
WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—Gov. George Romney of Michigan said today he planned to appoint a successor this week to the late Senator Bar McNamara. He is expected to name Representative Robert F. Griffin, a Republican. Senator McNamara was a Democrat.

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TO : SAC, NY

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FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: MATTHEW Society
Info Concerning

On 5/10/66 [redacted]

[redacted] when contacted on another matter, advised that she heard on a TV program that a group, believed to be above, plan a large demonstration for 5/21/66 at either Washington, D.C. or Albany, NY to complain they are not being taken into the army. Source had no further details. Coordinated group has no charter to D.C. with her firm.

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PO Box 56, Cooper Station
New York, New York 10003

TO: BSSI
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The 108th Intelligence Corps Group requests information from your files or any source available concerning SUBJECT below:

NAME (last, first, middle) MATTACHINE SOCIETY 100-132065-304
(a homosexual organization)

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DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH

PRESENT ADDRESS

FORMER ADDRESSES

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REMARKS: Request any available information concerning the activities of the MATTACHINE SOCIETY in or in the vicinity of military installations in the NYC area. The organization has allegedly been passing out literature in vicinities of US Army installations in an attempt to attract military personnel.

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New York, New York
May 23, 1966

Mattachine Society, Incorporated

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On May 10, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that she had heard on a television program that a group, believed to be the Mattachine Society, Incorporated, was planning a large demonstration on May 21, 1966, at either Washington, D.C., or Albany, New York. The purpose of this demonstration was to protest the fact that homosexuals are not being taken into the Army.

By means of a pretext interview with [redacted] who identified himself as [redacted] of the Mattachine Society, Incorporated, of New York, 1133 Broadway, New York City, it was ascertained on May 16, 1966, that the Mattachine Society, Incorporated, is not planning any demonstration at any location for May 21, 1966. However, [redacted] advised that the Mattachine Society, Incorporated, is planning a demonstration for July 4, 1966, at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The purpose of this demonstration is to protest the alleged fact that homosexuals are excluded from the protection of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and to demand that homosexuals be given the protection of the First Amendment.

[redacted] further advised that the Mattachine Society, Incorporated, of New York, will hold its next meeting on May 10, 1966, at 8:15 P.M., at the Freedom House, 20 West 40th Street, New York City. These meetings are held on an irregular basis and the next meeting after May 10, 1966, will be sometime in June, 1966.

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MATTACHINE SOCIETY, INC.
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Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies, for Philadelphia three copies and for Los Angeles one copy of a LHM.

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The information from [redacted] was received by SA [redacted]

The pretext interview on 5/15/66, was conducted telephonically by SA [redacted]

One copy is furnished Los Angeles for information inasmuch as Los Angeles is office of origin in captioned matter.

The NYO contemplates no further action. The information in the LHM is furnished to Philadelphia for any action it deems appropriate including advising local police.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

June 22, 1966

COMMITTEE FOR NONVIOLENT ACTION (CNVA);
DEMONSTRATION AT INDEPENDENCE HALL,
PHILADELPHIA, PA., 7/4/66 AND AT NEW
LONDON, GROTON, CONN., 7/7/66

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On June 21, 1966, [redacted] Civil Disobedience Unit, Philadelphia Police Department, Philadelphia, Pa., advised that [redacted] Committee for Nonviolent Action (CNVA), Board member, Philadelphia, Pa., said that all CNVA Chapters in the East will come to Philadelphia, Pa., July 4, 1966, and have a demonstration and rally at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, protesting United States intervention in Viet Nam and in support of the Buddhists in Viet Nam. She also said all U.S. Embassies overseas will be picketed and approximately 100 towns in Germany will have demonstrations. She learned this from someone who just came back from overseas.

[redacted] another Government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised that the New England CNVA in conjunction with the National CNVA are planning a demonstration possibly including Civil Disobedience at the launching of the USS WILL ROGERS (SSBN 659) on July 7, 1966, at Groton, Conn. [redacted] also advised same organizations are planning demonstrations on July 4, 1966 at Philadelphia and on July 5, 1966, at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

[redacted] Civil Disobedience Unit, Philadelphia Police Department, Philadelphia, Pa., subsequently advised June 21, 1966, that CNVA on July 4, 1966, plan to assemble at 10 a.m. and picket until noon and have a rally. From one to three p.m. they will pass out leaflets and attempt to disrupt a Fourth of July patriotic celebration in which some national figure will speak.

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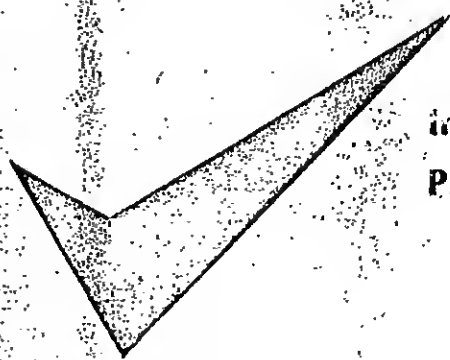
On June 22, 1966, [redacted] furnished a
leaflet of CNVA captioned, "Save The American Revolution." A
subcaption "A Call to Action July 4 - 10 a.m. Independence Hall,
Philadelphia, Pa., July 7 - 10 a.m. General Dynamics/Electric Boat,
New London - Groton, Conn."

A copy of this leaflet follows:

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SAVE THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

A CALL TO ACTION



JULY 4 - 10 a.m.

Independence Hall
Philadelphia, Pa.

JULY 7 - 10 a.m.

General Dynamics/Electric Boat
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One hundred and ninety years ago, a group of radical patriots meeting at Philadelphia's Independence Hall adopted one of history's most important documents. "We hold these truths to be self-evident," they declared, "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness . . . That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."

The founding fathers also declared that men have a right to engage in revolution when existing governments deprive the people of these rights.

THE UNFINISHED REVOLUTION

These brave words and ideals have inspired men around the world to work, fight and die in this struggle to achieve freedom and human dignity. That struggle is far from being won — most people in the world today are still fettered by the chains of tyranny and poverty, and modern war threatens the lives of all men.

Even in the United States the struggle for freedom and human dignity is far from being won. Millions of Americans are denied any meaningful opportunity for the pursuit of happiness through inequality of birth into a minority group, into poverty or both. But even more important, the United States often arrogantly uses its enormous military and economic power to support tyranny rather than to aid those struggling against foreign or domestic tyranny.

TYRANNY AND THE VIETNAM WAR

In Vietnam, the United States is committed to the support of a government headed by a man who has openly stated his admiration for Hitler. Over a quarter of a million of our young men, Milton Mayser wrote recently, "are being required to save one Asian tyranny from another by killing the helpless victims of both." At the same time, we must recognize that the "Vietcong" are fighting for national independence and against foreign control, as did our own patriots of 1776.

NONVIOLENT REVOLUTION

MODERN REVOLUTIONARIES

We call upon all modern revolutionaries to join us in these actions for peace and freedom. We particularly urge all draft resisters, tax refusers and nonviolent civil rights workers to participate. These activities will challenge the people and government of the United States to reaffirm the ideals of the American Revolution, to end the war in Vietnam, and to devote greater resources and creativity to winning the struggle to eliminate poverty and tyranny at home and abroad.

SCHEDULE

- IN OTHER words, we urge people who want to organize demonstrations or leaflet distribution in their own communities. Most people are off work and out of doors on July 4, providing an unusual opportunity for communication through leaflet distribution.

JULY 7

This seminar is open to civil disobedience, and various actions which are likely to be illegal are being considered by a number of people. Anyone contemplating taking such action should take into consideration the possible consequences and should notify CNVA in advance.

On the 5th and 6th there will be leafleting and other activities in the New London-Groton area. (Housing will be available at the New England CNVA headquarters in nearby Voluntown, Conn.)

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COMMITTEE FOR NONVIOLENT ACTION (CNVA);
DEMONSTRATION AT INDEPENDENCE HALL,
PHILADELPHIA, PA., 7/4/66 AND AT NEW
LONDON, GROTON, CONN., 7/7/66

[redacted] also advised June 21, 1966, that in a separate demonstration the Matachine Society of New York and Washington, D.C., plan to join the Janus Society, Philadelphia, Pa., July 4, 1966, at the north side of Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., from two to four p.m. to protest the denial of equality of homosexual American citizens in not being allowed in the Armed Forces. Military and Independence Hall National Park Guards advised.

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Demonstration at Women's House of Detention

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Demonstration Women's House of Detention
West Ninth Street and Sixth Avenue
Crazies and Vets. and Res. to End the War in Vietnam
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
July 14, 1969

Demonstration was organized by [redacted]

[redacted] Also present:

[redacted]

There were approximately 70 people involved including 8 or 10 homosexuals from the West Village. [redacted] and [redacted] have been trying to politicly and organized these people.

Demonstration was basicly peaceful. After chanting and singing for about a half hour, [redacted] then led the group into the street circled the Women's House of Detention, then went over to the Stonewall Bar, then up to Seventh Avenue and back to the Detention House. Went back onto the sidewalk chanted a few minutes and then broke up. Moments later a bus load of TPF police arrived. There were no arrests made.

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HANG OUT

THIS SATURDAY, AUGUST 9th, FROM 10 TO 12 P.M. QUIETLY HANG OUT WITH US
BETWEEN GREENWICH AVENUE AND WAVERLY PLACE. DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF HOMOSEXUALS
TO CONTINUE THE FIFTY YEAR OLD TRADITION OF VISTING AND MAKING FRIENDS IN
GREENWICH VILLAGE. THIS IS A CALL TO ALL HOMOSEXUALS IN THE AREA. IF THE
INNOCENT FREEDOMS OF ONE AREA OF THE VILLAGE ARE PERILED THEN THE FREEDOM
AND THE ENJOYMENT OF THE ENTIRE AREA IS CHALLANGED. ON THE OTHER HAND,
WE DO WISH TO DISTRIBUTE A QUESTIONAIRE TO INVOLVED VILLAGE RESIDENTS
TO DETERMINE GRIEVENCES SO THAT A LINE OF COMMUNICATION CAN BE FORMED
AND PROBLEMS CONSTRUCTIVELY WORKED OUT WITHOUT RESORTING TO POLICE ACTIONS
WHICH CAN ONLY TURN THE VILLAGE INTO A HIGH TENSION AREA AND NEVER HOPE
TO RETURN PEACE TO OUR BEAUTIFUL NEIGHBORHOOD. HOMOSEXUALS IN THE AREA
MUST REALIZE THAT ANTI-HOMOSEXUAL ANGER HAS BEEN STIRRED UP AS THE RESULT
OF LOUD NOISE AT LATE HOURS, LITTERING, INDESCREET USES OF HALLWAYS-AND
BITCHING AT STRAIGHTS AS THEY WALKED BY. THESE THINGS MUST STOP AND IT'S
UP TO US TO POLICE OUR OWN KIND. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT INTEND TO GIVE UP
THE RIGHT OF HOMOSEXUALS TO PEACEFULLY CONGREGATE IN THE AREA UNMOLESTED
BY NAME CALLING AND DISRESPECTFUL POLICE. WHO SEEM TO BE UNDER THE INCORRECT
IMPRESSION THAT THIS GENERATION OF FAIRIES WILL FLY WHEN INTIMIDATED.

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VOLUNTEERS AND CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NEEDED TO CONTINUE THE CIVIL RIGHTS
GAY POWER PROGRAM NOW BEING UNDERTAKEN BY MATTACHINE. PUBLIC GRIEVANCES
MAY BE PHONED IN TO OUR OFFICE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 6 TO 9 P.M.

VIGIL AGAINST VIGIL-AUNTIES

WE ARE TIRED OF POLITICALLY INSPIRED RAIDS ON GAY BARS. WE ARE TIRED OF KEEPING SILENT WHILE OTHER HOMOSEXUALS LOSE THEIR JOBS, ARE RIDICULED, BEATEN AND/OR JAILED. WE ARE TIRED OF LIVING IN THE SHADOW OF OUR OPPRESSORS. DON'T LET YOURSELF BE THE UNWARRANTED OBJECT OF ANYBODY'S PROMEXY LAW AND ORDER CAMPAIGN.

THE HOMOSEXUAL COMMUNITY IS THE SECOND LARGEST MINORITY IN THE UNITED STATES. THE TIME IS RIGHT TO SHOW OUR STRENGTH AND OUR UNITY. NOW WE WANT POLITICAL REPRESENTATION AND EQUALITY, NOTHING MORE, BUT NOTHING LESS.

WE NEED YOUR PRESENCE AS SUPPORT OF THE SECOND GAY POWER VIGIL. COME SEE THOSE TREES CUT DOWN BY VIGILANTES IN THAT PARK IN QUEENS. GRAND CENTRAL PARKWAY AND 78th AVENUE. ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th AT 2:00P.M.

HOW TO GET THERE: TAKE THE "E" OR "F" SUBWAY FROM MANHATTAN OR JAMAICA AND GET OFF AT THE KEN GARDENS STATION. BY CAR: TAKE THE GRAND CENTRAL PARKWAY, GET OFF AT UNION TURNPIKE EXIT TO QUEENS BLVD. TO 78th AVENUE.

SEE YOU THERE

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY OF NEW YORK 799-0916

THE DAUGHTERS OF BILITIS 835-8865

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Demonstration at Washington Square Park

& Sheridan Square Park sponsored by

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Location: Washington Square Park and
Sheridian Square Park

Time: 2:00 to 2:50 PM

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Sponsors: Mattachine Society

Attendance: Approximately 300

Washington Square Park was the scene of a homosexual rally. Most who participated were males ages ranging from 16 to 30. Speakers spoke on homosexual freedom and chanted "Gay power to the gay people". They then began a side walk parade to Sheridan Square Park in which they held a brief rally and stating that there would be a meeting at Alternate U., 69 West 14th Street, Thursday July 31 at 6 PM to plan on future actions.

[redacted] that the Crozies would attend Thursday night meeting at Alternate U.

Persons in support of today's actions wore lavender color ribbons.

No incidents arose, no arrests made.

DIRECTOR, FBI

10/29/65

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~~MATTACHINE MIDWEST~~
4753 North Broadway
Chicago, Illinois
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Submitted herewith, as an enclosure, is a four page photocopy of the "Mattachine Midwest" newsletter, which bears the mailing address 4753 North Broadway, Chicago, Illinois. This four page newsletter was furnished, on October 25, 1965, by [redacted] 19th District, Chicago Police Department, 3600 North Halsted, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] has advised that recent revision in Illinois statutes has encouraged the residence of homosexuals in the Chicago area, and has severely limited police action. He identified captioned publication as the leading publication catering to deviates.

[redacted] noted particularly that enclosed issue called for the formation of a group to travel to Washington, D. C., on October 16, 1965, for the purpose of picketing the White House, in protest of State Department policies against hiring homosexuals. He also noted that this publication indicates that the Mattachine Society of New York (no address) and the Janus Society of Philadelphia (no address) are affiliate organizations.

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